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Verdict on St Michael's 'is a victory for tenants'

Owners hail town's historic planning decision

PLANS that will re-shape St Michael's trading estate in Bridport were dubbed a victory for the tenants who work there after councillors gave them the green light this week.

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and new commercial space.

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■ THE owner of Agincare, Derek Luckhurst, speaks to guests, top, at the official opening of the luxury apartments at Caissons' View, Crabbers Wharf, on Friday

New vision for Portland brings tourists and jobs

AN exciting project to transform the community of Castletown on Portland reached a major milestone on Friday.

In the latest phase of ambitious plans to regenerate the area, new tourist and business facilities have been unveiled – all of which will play a part in creating an impressive gateway to the island.

The development is the brainchild of Weymouth-born Derek Luckhurst, who also owns care provider Agincare, which is based in Castletown.

Mr Luckhurst told the *View From* this week: "This latest part of the development is spot on schedule. I am very satisfied with progress."

And Mr Luckhurst is delighted to be giving something back to the community where he grew up.

"I was born in Weymouth and several members of my family worked on the naval base. It was sad when the Navy moved out."

As owner and chairman of Agincare, which employs 3,000 people and is a £70 million concern, Mr Luckhurst was pleased to bring his company headquarters to Castletown. And Friday's unveiling of new apartments at Crab-



■ THE view from Crabbers' Wharf, where new apartments have been unveiled – and some have already been booked up

bers' Wharf brings more employment to an area that was hit hard by the decline of the dockyards. The regeneration initiative is especially dear to Mr Luckhurst's heart.

"Underhill is in the top 15 per cent of areas of multiple deprivation," he explained. "Some 50 per cent of children in Underhill are living in households that are officially below the poverty line. I'd like to do something to help reverse that trend."

"Clearly the local economy needs a boost. I do have an emotional attachment to this area and

this project. You get to an age in life when you want to put something back – and my vision is to regenerate Castletown."

The Crabbers' Wharf development features 11 industrial units on the ground floor and nine luxury letting units on the first floor.

A convenience store has been integrated into the development as well as a tourist information centre. There is also a Weymouth to Portland ferry.

Mr Luckhurst also described the work being done to create an underater curiosity park that he hopes will appeal to scuba divers from all over the country and no doubt further afield.

"25 artefacts are being sunk on the seabed to provide some real interest to scuba divers," he explained.

"One of the ideas behind Crabbers' Wharf is to bring the marine industry back to Castletown. Fishermen disappeared in this area about 30 years ago and Castletown has been under appreciated for decades. I hired a team to clear out all the debris from the harbour and from that we are already seeing fishermen returning regularly."

Museum's rare opportunities

DORSET County Museum is hosting a variety of events to mark the national Festival of Archaeology.

It will include a rare opportunity to tour the museum's archaeology store and see archaeology in action with the cleaning and the analysis of the skeleton of the Whitcombe Warrior.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for people to see a whole range of archaeological artefacts that aren't normally on display," said Jon Murden, Director of Dorset County Museum. "In the past these tours completely sold out as so many people were interested in coming along – we hope it will be even more popular this year."

On Monday, July 17th, there will be guided tours of the Ancient Dorset Gallery at 11.00am and 2.30pm. There is no need to book, although normal museum admission charges will apply.

Tuesday 18th sees the museum open up its store at the redundant All Saints Church in High East Street, with tours at 10.30am, 12 noon, 1.30pm and 3.30pm. The event is repeated on Tuesday, July 25th.

Places are limited and must be reserved. Telephone 01305 756827 to book your place.

An objects identification 'surgery' is being held in the museum on Wednesday, July 19th, with experts David Ashford and Ciorstaidh Hayward Trevarthen, the Dorset Finds Liaison Officer. They will be available from 10am to 1.30pm in the museum library ready to help you identify your archaeological finds. There is no admission charge to this surgery but normal admission prices apply for entry to the museum's galleries.

Other events planned include guided tours of the Ancient Dorset Gallery on Friday 21st at 11am and 2.30pm – and on Monday, July 24th, you can watch Dr Clare Randall cleaning the Whitcombe Warrior, a rare example of a Late Iron Age burial which includes a sword. The Warrior was buried in a small cemetery near Whitcombe, just south of Dorchester, just before or around the time of the Roman invasion, in a style which is unique to Dorset and is associated with the local tribe, the Durotriges.



■ THE Whitcombe Warrior

St Michael's landlords say 'it's a victory for tenants'

A CONTROVERSIAL proposal to breathe new life into St Michael's trading estate in Bridport was declared a triumph for its tenants after it was approved by district councillors this week.

The owners of the estate, Hayward and Co, plan to demolish some of the buildings to make way for new homes and new commercial space.

On Thursday, West Dorset District Council's planning committee gave their backing to a scheme to demolish part of St Michael's to build 91 new homes, and refurbish the remainder of the estate.

The committee were addressed by more than 30 speakers, most of whom objected to the plans.

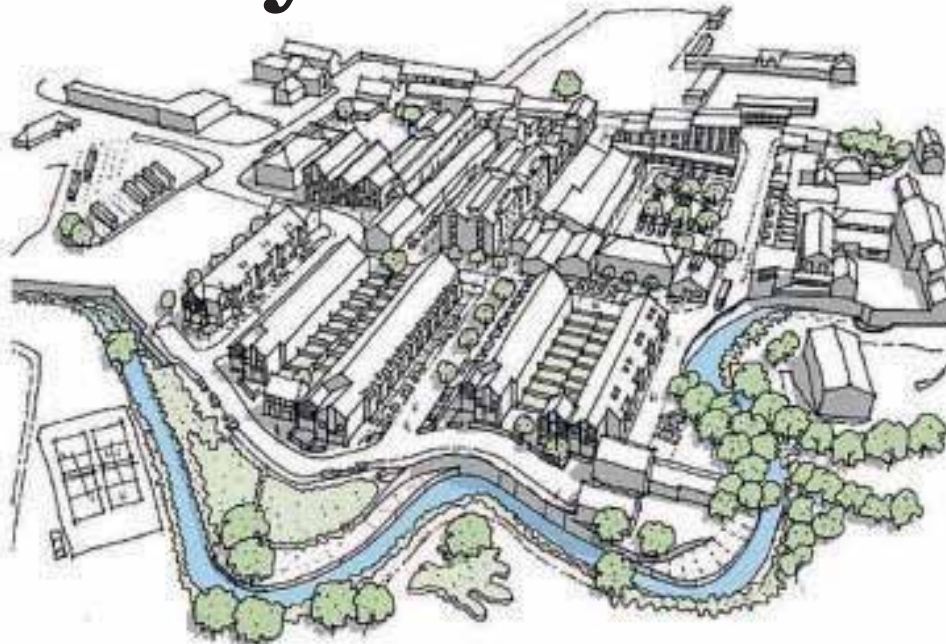
But councillors approved an outline application to construct 83 homes made up of 48 houses and 35 apartments, and granted full permission to provide nine residential units in the Lilliput Building, which will be part demolished and refurbished. Listed building consent was also granted for the Lilliput Building proposals.

The scheme will provide 22 affordable homes.

After the historic verdict, Hayward & Co said in a statement released to the *View From Bridport*: "The first thing to say is that this is not a victory for Hayward & Co but it is a victory for our tenants, who have had 10 years of uncertainty surrounding the future of the estate, and it is a victory for the town and the Bridport community."

"In a document circulated to councillors and committee members in 2012 we referred to the fact that we had reached a critical point in the long history of St Michael's; how we had travelled down a long and very expensive road with many twists and indeed U-turns. Now here we are five years later and these issues are even more critical, even more pressing."

The company's statement continued: "As we told committee members on Thursday, we are only too aware that we are not just submitting yet another planning application but seeking permission to move forward with a comprehensive scheme that will deliver significant improvements to the environment, attractive affordable and open market housing, much needed regeneration of the estate but most importantly a better, safer and more secure en-



■ **ALL CHANGE:** an artist's impression of the vision for a revamped St Michael's trading estate

vironment for our tenants.

"A key objective for us, as we told the committee on Thursday, is to not only maintain the diversity of skills we have on the estate but also the variety of businesses. West Dorset District Council as the local planning authority share our view on this and it is one of the reasons that St Michael's is designated as a mixed use scheme in the West Dorset Local Plan.

"As Clive Hayward told councillors: 'We have done all that has been asked of us by the planning system and the planning authority, by English Heritage and by the Environment Agency. We have listened to comments and feedback from numerous presentation-based meetings, including two 'public open' exhibition based sessions in the town council offices. And perhaps most importantly we have held four separate meetings with groups of our tenants. Much of this feedback is reflected in our amended plans. To be frank, Mr chairman it is difficult to see what more we could have done'.

"There does, however, remain much to be done over the coming months including resolving the 17 planning conditions that came with our outline approval. We very much hope the community, including those who have been objecting to our plans over the

years, will now work alongside us and help us deliver something special for Bridport; a scheme and a project that will add to the unique identity and character of the town.

"We have always said a key challenge for us is to 'not throw the baby out with the bath water'; preserving the best of the old but bringing along the best of the new. We would ask in particular that the councillors and officers of Bridport Town Council will recognise the many benefits of our scheme and work with us to help deliver them to the town."

Cllr Ian Gardner, West Dorset District Council's portfolio holder for planning, said: "The district council adopted a Joint Local Plan alongside Weymouth and Portland Borough Council in 2015.

"The plan was informed by councillors and residents as a guide to development in the area. The St Michael's trading estate area is allocated for mixed use development within this local plan.

"We're satisfied that we have been able to work with the applicant and reach agreement on the plans for St Michael's trading estate. Once completed, this development will provide a good mix of open market housing, affordable housing and employment space."

Bridport resident David Tett said at the meeting: "In 2012 this

committee (the development control committee of West Dorset District Council) granted the applicant (Hayward & Co) planning permission for the development and refurbishment of the St Michael's trading estate.

"However, before the form of consent was issued, English Heritage listed the Lilliput Building included on St Michael's. As I understand it, the concerns of English Heritage have been resolved and the planning application before you today accords with the planning policy for a mixed uses development.

"The proposals, I would submit, are also a vast improvement on those of 2012, both in regard to design and layout."

Mr Tett added: "This site requires urgent attention to improve the workplace for the company's tenants and occupiers, to provide much needed affordable housing and in stimulating the town's economy; and I maintain these proposals will satisfy the requirements of the current planning policies.

"Mr chairman, this matter has been rumbling on for the best part of 20 years despite the efforts of Haywards to invigorate St Michael's trading estate, and it is time to put it to bed! I support the application and recommendation of the case officer."

'Sad day for Bridport and for democracy'

I TRAVELLED to Dorchester for the West Dorset District Council planning hearing on the development of St Michael's Trading Estate on Thursday, July 6th.

Unfortunately, many could not attend who wanted too, especially some disabled friends of mine. Why? Because WDDC refused all requests to hold the meeting in Bridport where there are several suitable sites that meet all their criteria, especially for those of special needs.

After the planning officer's report, which was a complete U-turn from his 2012 report, there then came approximately 30 objections to the development, virtually all on planning grounds. There were several apologies from those who could not get to Dorchester. I just wonder how many people would have spoken if it had been in the home town of St Michael's?

Then came those in favour and to my surprise there was only a tenant, a friend of the Haywards, a local resident, a rather confusing speech from the architect and two representations from Hayward & Co.

The lack of infrastructure, the increased traffic, future congestion on the site, lack of parking, loss of jobs and workspace, damage to Bridport's economy, loss of a valuable tourist attraction, the actual viability of the scheme – these were all swept under the carpet and ignored by the committee.

I am not surprised but disappointed that our publicly appointed councillors did not listen to those who voted them into office. Ignoring the depositions and over 840 letters, they voted eight to three in favour of this damaging application.

Now, having been publicly vilified by several people for being a director of a community-owned not-for-profit company, for being a tenant who has supposedly been against the development and a hypocrite for having a second shop in Bridport with flats above, I believe I have the right to set the record straight.

I have always spoken of the Haywards in the highest regard and have the utmost respect for them, appreciating all they have done for my own and other businesses. Never have I disagreed with the fact that St Michael's needs to have something done to it. Yes, parts of it are a disgrace and an eyesore. Actually, I have championed the case that St Michael's needs to be regenerated but not to be redeveloped.

St Michael's could so easily have continued to be an employment hub offering opportunities to fledgling businesses together with those that have been established for some 35 years. Also, 40 low-cost affordable homes for local people could so easily sit along the edge of the estate with beautiful views and ample parking.

Is it so wrong to stand up and openly plead for commonsense to prevail and have a regenerated St Michael's that would be the crowning glory of West Dorset?

As a footnote, in April 1965 a planning application to convert St Michael's to residential failed and led to Gundry's selling the site in 1968 for a knocked-down price as they could not get planning.

I rest my case.

Richard Payne-Withers
Bridport resident and business owner

Critics argue that future of estate 'hangs by a thread'

THE directors of Enterprise St Michael's Ltd, an industrial and provident society, said: "On 6th July eleven district councillors on WDDC planning committee awarded Hayward & Co outline consent to build a substantial housing development on St Michael's Trading Estate in the face of widespread opposition, including a strongly worded objection from Bridport Town Council. Their decision is the most influ-

ential one to affect Bridport for some considerable time. If built, not only will there be massive physical change within Bridport's sensitive Conservation Area but loss of local jobs and damage to the tourist economy are likely to be felt deeply.

"Despite the planning meeting being held in Dorchester dozens of Bridport people attended and many spoke persuasively to the panel of councillors about the

shortcomings in Haywards' plans.

"We were horrified when, after a short, half-hearted debate, a majority of councillors (including two local to Bridport) decided to ignore the many strong statements pointing out the shortcomings of Haywards' scheme and voted to approve it without a single modification.

"It is important to stress that for most of the site the decision

only gives 'outline' permission. Nothing is about to close or be bulldozed, and businesses will continue as normal, but make no mistake, the future of the estate as a vibrant working area now hangs by a thread.

"We must all hope that, as the details of the proposal are worked out, the scheme evolves in a way which will cause less harm to the town than the current plans suggest."



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Tackling the growing menace of scams

THROUGHOUT July Citizens Advice is playing a leading role in the campaign called Scams Awareness Month. It believes that by raising awareness of the huge growth in the number of people becoming the victims of scams it can help to protect consumers against this kind of crime.

Working with Trading Standards it is aiming to give more consumers the skills and confidence to identify scams, talk about their experiences and take action to report activities that they feel are suspicious.

Scams take many forms but all have the purpose of conning individuals out of money. They can arrive by post, phone call, text message or email, or from someone coming to your home.

Research carried out by Citizens Advice show that there has been a 17 per cent increase in the last year of people being caught out by "phantom goods" scams. These are now estimated to be the most common type of scam.

Gillian Guy, chief executive of Citizens Advice in the UK, said: "Scams can have a lasting financial and emotional impact on people's lives.

"With so many people shopping online to compare deals, scammers are using numerous tactics to target people with phantom goods. They are drawing people in with cut-price deals and then persuading people to buy items with phoney recommendations from customers.

"It's really important that people don't rush into buying an item when they spot a bargain, but take some time to make sure it's genuine first. Reporting scams also helps the authorities to take action against fraudsters and allows people to get advice on ways to try and get their money back."

Margot James, the Government's Consumer Minister, commented: "I'm encouraged by Citizens Advice's continued efforts to raise awareness and protect consumers against this kind of crime."

Dorset Police has recently raised concerns about the number of elderly and vulnerable people being targeted by scams and computer fraud in the county has recently been revealed as being much higher than average.

Police have also issued a warning about fraudsters who claim to be from organisations such as a gas or water company in order to gain entry to people's homes.

As part of Scams Awareness Week, Citizens Advice is stressing the importance of everyone who has had a problem to report it. As well as potentially helping those individuals recover their losses this is really important in the fight to restrict this growing menace.

It is extremely helpful that the authorities find out as much as possible about the tactics being used by scammers with the more they know about scams the better they can be tackled.

If you suspect a scam you can report it direct to Action Fraud on 0300-123-2040 and this service is available 24 hours a day. Or if you prefer, you are welcome to contact Citizens Advice's consumer service for more advice on 0345 4040506.

Helping people deal with scams is one of the many areas where Citizens Advice can provide help to local people.

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Cash crisis for exchange group

STUNNED young people involved in a project that is celebrating its 21st anniversary have just learned that everything they have worked and fundraised for over the past year may well be destroyed by an unforeseen crisis.

Bridport Young Persons Action Trust, the organising body for the popular Japanese Exchange Programme, has found out that they will now have to pay £3,000 for insurance for the exchange to go ahead, rather than a premium of £850.

Arthur Woodgate, of BYPAT, said: "There was no warning of this and precious little information has been made available to us. We now understand that the premium has been influenced, amongst other things, by problems of safeguarding experienced by other organisations, and the fact that insurance companies in general have lost their appetite for projects involving foreign travel."

All finances associated with the exchange, including the insurance, are raised by the members and their families in a variety of ways, including the coconut shy at Bridport Food Festival, face painting at the Christmas Cheer festival and car parking at the Jurassic Fields Music Festival.

Mr Woodgate added: "Fundraising has gone extremely well but this increase in insurance would simply wipe out our hosting programme."

With just three weeks to go, the group must either raise an additional £2,000 for the insurance or cancel this year's exchange.

The programme was founded in



■ AT RISK: members of the Japanese exchange programme on a previous visit

1996 by Mr Woodgate, who was a Bridport youth worker and travelled to Japan as part of a British delegation of youth workers.

The visit was organised in the hope of stimulating cultural and social exchanges between the young people of both countries. Bridport managed to link up with their now long-term partners, the Koyamadai Educational Foundation of Tokyo.

In the following 21 years, more

than 100 local people have experienced the exchange.

Former member Katherine Crabb said: "I had an absolutely amazing time. It was an experience that not many people ever get because living with a family and making a friend on the other side of the world, and having them show you their culture and way of life, is completely different from just being a tourist and staying in hotels.

"It was a huge learning experience, both about myself and the ability to cope in different situations and environments as well as about what else is out there in the world.

"I would advise anyone who is even remotely interested to take up this amazing opportunity."

If anyone can help the group, please email Mr Woodgate – a.c.woodgate@btinternet.com – or telephone 01308 423767.

School reunion will be the last

THE Beaminster and Netherbury Grammar School Old Boys' and Old Girls' Association will hold its final reunion on July 22nd.

Local businessman and Chairman of OBOGA, Peter Hardwill said: "Although I am sad to be presiding as the last chairman, for former pupils and staff to be meeting 52 years after the grammar school closed in 1962 is remarkable. We could not ignore the fact that we were getting older and with the passing of colleagues, the future of the association had to be considered."

Writing in the association's newsletter, Mr Hardwill continued: "Formed in 1923, OBOGA has done many things; annual dinners, whist drives, cricket and tennis matches with school teams, presented a clock for a sports pavilion, erected a blue heritage plaque on the old school site, supported two secretaries in writing books about the school, celebrated significant school anniversaries, and plans to present a plaque to mark a long association with St Mary's Parish Church."

More than 150 people have already registered for the reunion, which will close by singing the hymn that was sung at the end of term assemblies and services.

The reunion will take place at Beaminster School at 2pm.

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Melplash garden competition winners

THE annual Melplash Agricultural Society's Garden Competition saw 19 gardens and allotments entered this year, stretching from Lyme Regis to Hinton St George.

The competition was judged over two days by last year's large garden winners Jason Smith and Nic Darby from Mangerton, and the overall garden winner Erika Savory, from Lyme Regis. They were accompanied by the Melplash Agricultural Society President Ralph Newman and the chairman Will Frost.

Mr Frost said: "We were all very impressed by the high quality and standard of entries. They are a credit to everyone who has taken part in this year's competition"

Melplash Agricultural Society organiser, Peter Yeates, added: "This year was another fantastic garden competition. We were very pleased to have several entries from new residents to the area and were particularly pleased with the increased number of entries in the allotment category. Well done to everyone who entered and special thanks to this year's judges."

Results:

Large Garden winner - Colin and Sue Dyer, Long Bredy. The judges said: "Although quite traditional, this garden is, and is bound to be, an inspiration for gardeners of all ages and all walks of life."

2nd - Joyce Newton, Bothenhampton.

Medium Garden winner - Hugh &

Carol Lindsay, Beaminster. The judges said: "Perfectly executed walled garden in harmony with period house, yet informal and relaxed."

2nd - Peter and Barbara Lacey, Lyme Regis.

Small Garden winner - Stephanie Harvey, Bridport. The judges said: "Purposely designed and well executed easy maintenance garden which can be adapted to changing seasons with minimum fuss."

2nd - Ian and Margaret Hill, Bridport.

Allotment winner - Bryony Medus and Keith Seaman, Bridport. The judges said: "Well informed, organised - showing passion and dedication"

Joint 2nd - Donald Jolliff, Netherbury /John Studley, Hinton St George.

The garden considered by the judges to be the best overall was Colin and Sue Dyer's from Long Bredy. Judges Jason Smith and Nic Darby said: "Real vision and expertise on show. This garden will be a real stunner in a few years after continuous hard work. Judge Erika Savory said: "A proper garden and proper gardeners - inspirational, heart lifting and as soothing as a summer breeze!"

The awards will be presented at the Melplash Show on Thursday, August 24th.



■ JUDGES CHOICE: Overall and large garden winner Sue and Colin Dyer in their garden at Long Bredy.



■ ALLOTMENT: Joint winner Bryony Medus.

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New president for Rotary Club



■ **BERNARD** Paull (right) takes over as the Rotary Club of Bridport president from Roger Stoodley.

MEMBERS of the Rotary Club of Bridport have welcomed a new President for 2017/2018 Rotary year. Bernard Paull took over the office from Roger Stoodley at last week's meeting at High-lands End.

Mr Stoodley presided over a successful year in funding support for local and national good causes, greatly helped by the group's business partners. His president's charity fund will be donated to Bridport's Living Tree cancer support group.

Over the year Rotary was active in supporting local youth activities. The valued link with the Sir John Colfox Academy was enhanced with a donation of £1,200 for the Youth Leadership Awards, and the club organised the annual Youth Speaks competition. The Kids Out day for local children to Crealy was again supported.

On the international side, donations of more than £4,000 were made to the Rotary International programme for polio eradication, World Water Works, Water Aid, Fiji Tornado and Shelterboxes to Haiti.

Locally the Weldmar Hospice benefited from a £700 donation.

For full details of donations visit www.bridportrotary.org.uk

The new President Bernard Paull thanked Mr Stoodley, for his good work during his presidential year.

He went on to say that was an honour and privilege to become the club's new president. This year's Rotary moto is "Making a Difference". With fundraising and various community projects, the club will continue to do its bit towards making a difference.

He pointed out that like many organisations there is a problem recruiting new members, especially younger ones.

"Recruitment must be the top priority for the next few years," said Mr Paull. "There is a need to look critically at where the club is and to identify ways of attracting prospective new members."

Finally, he thanked the club officers and committee chairmen who have offered their services for the coming year and thanked all of the club members for supporting the numerous club activities.



Symondsbury competition winner

OVER the past few months, members of the public have had a chance to enter a competition held at Symondsbury Estate.

People were encouraged to enter a draw for a chance to win a £100 voucher to spend in the new Home and Garden Store at Manor Yard.

The winner was Valerie Barnes of Walditch, who is pic-

tured being presented with her voucher by Kelly Chubb, retail manager at Symondsbury Estate.

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Club enjoys musical interlude

LOS Amigos visited Bridport Blind Club to entertain members with their popular repertoire of music and song.

Terry, Keith, Julian, Martyn and Roger played 'Memories Are Made Of This', 'I'm a Travelling Man', 'All over the World' and songs from the Everly Brothers and Buddy Holly.

They had a large selection of instruments including ukulele, electric violin, keyboard, harmonica and a left

handed guitar. The entertainment was followed by afternoon tea, with delicious homemade cake which was provided by generous volunteers.

The following meeting involved a coach trip to Weymouth where the group enjoyed tea and cake at the The New Vic right on the promenade. After their tea they enjoyed a stroll along the front.

The club has room for more members and volun-

teers and welcomes people from Bridport and the towns and villages around.

They meet twice a month for a talk, a chat and an afternoon tea.

If you are interested for yourself or someone else who is visually impaired, please get in touch. They can generally provide transport to meetings.

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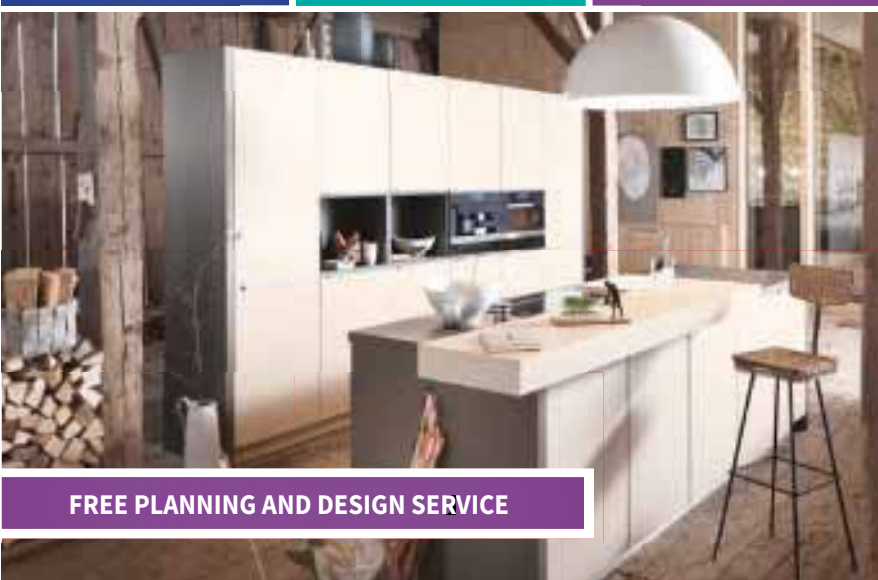
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Learning trust aims for a gold standard

THE Minerva Learning Trust has held its first annual general meeting at the Sir John Colfox Academy.

The newly formed MLT choir reprised some songs from the Celebration of the Arts festival held earlier this year and Emily Hendry and Dan van Zyl explained how working with the primary schools benefitted the pupils there and helped develop their leadership skills.

Kay Taylor, executive principal of the Minerva Learning Trust, said: "This has been a really successful year. Our key aim was to form a collaborative partnership to benefit the staff who work in our schools and to enrich the learning of our children – and we believe we have achieved this."

Clive Bath, chair of the trust board, reported that the

accounts up until the end of August 2016 showed a stable financial position with appropriate reserves.

He highlighted the challenges that all schools face in terms of both national funding and changes to SEND support, and explained that he feels that the board have approved a balanced budget for 2017-18.

David Powell, vice chair of the trust board, reported on the growth and development of the governing bodies and the trust board, and encouraged other members of the community to volunteer to support local schools.

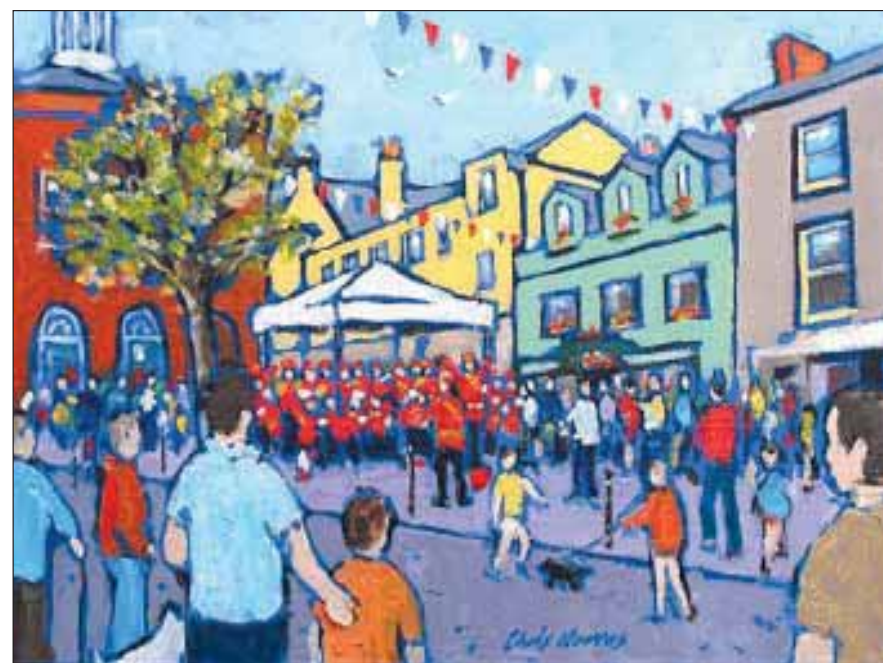
Kay Taylor highlighted the areas the trust has been working on. She reported that a number of significant staff training projects on mathematics, language and communication have brought

together staff from all the schools. This has allowed them to share good practice and develop new ideas and ways of working.

Alongside this, the trust had been able to offer pupils more enrichment opportunities in sport, art, music and drama. Kay thanked those supporting the school through sponsorship, such as the Burton Bradstock Festival of Arts and Music and Palmers Brewery.

Looking to the future, she said that there were plans for a joint music strategy as well as further work on maths, writing across the curriculum and science.

"As time goes on the trust wants to grow and establish itself as a leader in education, a model for others and a centre of excellence in the South West," she explained.



■ **BRIDPORT** artist Chris neaves has an exhibition called *Chris Neaves: Plugged*, running at Bridport Arts centre until July 22nd. Chris has lived in Bridport for the last few years and the offer of this exhibition space provided him with the opportunity to exhibit some of the new areas of work he has been exploring. Historically, he considered his commercial graphics background a hindrance but has learned to incorporate the generally rigid disciplines into both his figurative and landscape subjects. Chris hopes that this chance to show his new mixture of work-styles will generate some interesting comments. Find out more about Chris' work at www.chrisneaves.net

D-Day looms in battle for Saturday bus

VCAMPAIGNERS battling to save Saturday's No 40 bus service from Bridport to Yeovil have reached a vital target.

A petition they set up in a bid to secure a service they believe is a lifeline for local communities has smashed the 1,000-signature barrier and when the View From Bridport went to press, had reached 1,135.

One of the campaigners, Beaminster resident Carolyn Emmett, explained that the issue arose after public transport provider First won a Dorset County Council school bus contract from rival operator Damory.

Damory then decided to stop providing the No 40 service and First agreed to take it on – but not on Saturdays. The No 40 Saturday bus is due to run for two more Saturdays, until July 22nd.

Ms Emmett said: "This is a crucial service and we hope as many people as possible will add their signatures to our petition. There are many elderly and vulnerable people living in the villages served by the No 40 bus who are now effectively being abandoned on a Saturday if this service is lost."

She added: "Could Somerset County Council contribute to the service, which does go through Crewkerne and on to Yeovil. Dorset County Council is making choices about what things to fund and what not to fund. This is a very important thing to find money for. It seems that vulnerable people are being disproportionately affected by austerity."



■ **AT RISK:** campaigners hope to save the Saturday No 40 bus

Rosemary Beeny, chairman of the Beaminster and Villages Local Area Partnership, which campaigns for community services, is urging people who rely on the Saturday bus to sign the petition and help the campaign to ensure the service is not lost.

She said: "The No 40 Saturday service faces an uncertain future and we want to ensure this vital service is not lost."

The target now is to reach 1,500 signatures. You can read more and sign the petition at this online link: <https://www.change.org/p/keep-the-no-40-saturday-bus-service-between-yeovil-and-bridport?recruiter=4431891>

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The campaigners' message that introduces the petition says: "Dorset County Council have said that they will step in to cover the Monday to Friday service until an operator can be found to take it over. But we want them to cover the Saturday service too – once it is gone it is harder to replace! Let's act now and keep the Saturday service too!"

Ms Emmett raised these issues in a letter to county council leader Rebecca Knox:

■ **Community transport issues** It appears from the new timetable that

the No 40 on Saturdays will no longer be running as a commercial service. You suggested that it could be run as a Community Transport Initiative, along the lines of Thornecombe's bus. This is something to consider but it's a lot to ask one small community – ie Beaminster – to run a bus which connects four towns – Bridport, Beaminster, Crewkerne and Yeovil, as well as the villages in between (Bradpole, Melplash, Netherbury, Broadwindsor, Mosterton, Misterton, East Chinnock, West Coker). It also connects all these towns and villages with the train station at Crewkerne. I therefore think that the council should either be finding the money to do this themselves, or putting pressure onto / finding incentives for First (who are running the Mon – Fri timetable) to do it.

■ **Working with Somerset County Council** The No 40, once it gets to Misterton, is in Somerset. Are SCC helping to fund this bus? If not, then would it be a good idea to negotiate with them about part funding it? After all, this bus is bringing customers to Somerset shops, and providing Somerset residents with transport to Dorset towns, hospitals and the beach!

■ **Bridport Hospital Funding** The Saturday service currently goes to Bridport Hospital eight times on a Saturday. Shouldn't some of the funding which is keeping the Monday to Friday service going, which is coming from the fact that it goes to the hospital, be used for the Saturday service as well? People still have ap-

pointments at the hospital on Saturday, need to go to the minor injuries unit, or visit relatives.

■ **Damory's figures** Has Damory been forthcoming on whether they can give details of the Saturday service, in order to convince an operator like First (or even a Community Transport Group in the last resort) to take it on? It seems from research last week that the No 40 is certainly well used on a Saturday.

■ **740 service Monday to Friday 8.28am Beaminster to Colfox** Has this been kept on? This is vital for children travelling from Beaminster to Colfox School, so they can get to school on time. The 8.40am is too late. Parents and Colfox School worked to make this service happen, and it needs to be maintained.

■ **DCC to keep funding the Saturday 40 until a solution is found** It would be a shame to stop the bus straight away, when I am sure there are ways to resolve this situation. Can DCC step in for six weeks or so to keep the bus running, until funding avenues are explored, etc?

■ **Elderly/vulnerable people being stranded for the whole weekend** It concerns me that people who don't drive, don't have good social contacts, don't feel able to ask favours, etc, will be effectively stranded in their homes, unable to buy food for a whole weekend... It is impossible to walk to Beaminster Square from Gerards Green if you have a mobility problem. Surely the council has a duty of care to these people to ensure they can at least do their shopping?

STOKE ABBOTT STREET FAIR Saturday 15th July 2017

STOKE Abbott's annual Street Fair, on Saturday 15th July, kicks off in time-honoured tradition with the 'Stoke Abbott Sick Club' parade at 1.45pm.

From 2pm, there will be an exciting array of stalls, a fun Family Dog Show, live entertainment, Alpacas, local craft demonstrations plus a Children's Fancy Dress parade and Dressing the Well ceremony.

Comments the coordinator, Chris Coles: "Each year our Street Fair raises vital funds for the village and a local charity whilst giving locals and tourists a really enjoyable afternoon. Once again, we have a Well Dressing ceremony, a tradition dating back to the 14th century and we're delighted to have a Family Dog Show once again, back by popular demand."

In addition to a free Children's Games Garden, children of all ages are invited to come in Pirates & Mermaids fancy

dress and take part in a parade at 3.15pm.

Entertainment comes courtesy of the Mill Street Jazz Band, the Wyld Morris Dancers and Mitch Norman. The New Inn garden will play host to various games and a barbecue.

Set out along the lanes, traditional village-run stalls will include cakes, plants, jams, jewellery, 'Granny's Attic', a gift tombola, crafts and books. Delicious cream teas will be served throughout the afternoon in the village hall.

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MILLIONS of green-fingered Brits love the idea of having a beautiful garden - but don't actually want to get their hands dirty. A study of 2,000 adults found half believed daily life would be improved if they had easier access to green space and could spend more time outdoors.

But a third of the nation have 'no interest' in gardening and would do anything to avoid donning a pair of gardening gloves and get stuck into a bit of weeding.

Those who expressed a desire to become more green-fingered said they were held back because they simply didn't have the time.

A lack of confidence caused by a dearth of knowledge, and even the fact their parents didn't pass down any gardening tips, are also holding back wannabe gardeners.

Researchers also found 70 per cent of the nation have tried gardening - only to become disheartened when it ends in failure.

Organic fruit tea drinks Honest brand ambassador Julia Bradbury said: "Over half of all Brits feel their daily lives could be improved by spending more time outdoors."

"One in three would love to be able to grow their own herbs, fruit and veg at home - but so many of us DON'T do either, because we don't want to get our hands dirty or feel we don't have the time."

"It's really important to make the time to switch off a bit from daily pressures, and getting outside in open green spaces can be a quick way to do that."

"There are lots of easy ways to help restore your balance; from spending more time in a park or community garden, or growing your own fruit or veg at home - even just in a window box. And getting your hands dirty is good sometimes!"

The study also found one in ten (eight per cent) believe no outdoor space holds them back from gardening and one third (36 per cent) said they did no gardening at all.

Our incompetence was further exposed by the fact 41 per cent have killed a plant



by over-watering it and 37 per cent by not giving it enough water.

More than one quarter of Brits (26 per cent) have killed a plant within a week due to lack of gardening skills, and seven per cent confess they even killed a cactus, which is no mean feat when they require little maintenance.

Three per cent even admitted they have killed a plant within a day.

In fact in some cases Brits are so short of knowledge that 14 per cent of the nation can only dream of keeping a houseplant alive for a full year.

The findings also revealed more than one in four (27 per cent) don't have a single plant in their home and one in ten have just one plant.

By contrast the study also found over one third (33 per cent) would like to grow their own fruit, herbs and vegetables at home.

Honest is working with Groundworks Mobile City Garden to champion easier access to green space and community gardens.

Speaking at Groundwork's Mobile City Garden in London Julia Bradbury said, "I'm happy to be working with Honest and the team at Groundwork to help bring more green spaces and gardens to busy urban areas."

"It's no secret that gardening and spending more time outdoors can have a positive impact on physical health and mental well-being - and this can be especially important to people who live in busy towns and cities."

Honest is kick-starting its partnership with Groundwork by supporting the Energy Garden initiative in London, a partnership led by Repowering London, Groundwork London and Transport for London. Energy Garden is a non-profit initiative which aims to create community gardening opportunities on and around the London Overground network, in part funded through revenue generated through community energy systems.



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BUILD YOUR OWN BUG HOTEL

by Hannah Stephenson, Press Association

Give the kids a garden project this summer - here's our guide to building a bug hotel

School holidays are upon us, so keep the kids amused by helping them create a stylish and useful bug house to attract beneficial insects to your garden, including spiders, lacewings and ladybirds. Lacewing larvae and adult ladybirds and larvae will feast on aphids, while solitary bees may also hibernate in a bug box.

• What you'll need

Any old wooden box or recycled wooden pallet will do - you'll need it to stand up on its end to accommodate beneficial insects and other wildlife. You could nail boxes together (end to end) to make bug towers, which could be nailed on to a post or left free-standing on the ground. Collect wood, bark, twigs, leaves, pine, larch or spruce and any other natural materials. You can also use old terracotta roof tiles, bricks with holes in them and even holey old plant pots.

• Lining the container

Use dead leaves to line the back of the box, preferably oak or beech, as they will form the primary living area for insects.

• Fill it up

Pack materials into the front of the box. These could be anything from cut-off branches to

segments of bamboo cane, pine cones and other solid garden materials. Either create a visible pattern at the front of the box or just fill it randomly, wedging it all together with dead leaves or moss, the RSPB advises.

• Where to put it

Bugs prefer sheltered spots, so place your new bug-friendly hotel under hedging or close to wild areas in your garden, where there might be nettles, brambles or other wildlife-welcoming plants that will attract bugs into their new home. Make sure the box isn't in full sun, or everything will dry out - including the bugs.

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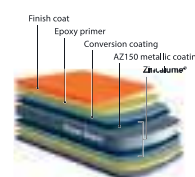
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WI members drumming up a storm

MEMBERS of Beaminster WI were treated to an enjoyable and entertaining interactive workshop in African Drumming, pictured above, at their June meeting.

This was led by Ralph Cree who explained the types of drums and other instruments which he had brought with him. Ralph has been giving workshops for many years,

and has amassed an amazing collection of instruments from a variety of countries including Cuba, Brazil, India and the Middle East. He distributed these among the members and showed how to play each instrument in harmony with the others. All members joined in wholeheartedly, and under Ralph's guidance, managed to produce a fantastic sound.

Masonic banner biked to Beaminster

AS part of the celebrations to mark the Tercentenary of the first Grand Lodge of England, Dorset Masonic Bikers will be transporting a specially commissioned banner by motorcycle to every Masonic Hall in the Dorset.

The banner will begin its journey Jersey, ending in the Isles of Scilly.

Dorset will receive the banner from Wiltshire in July and hand it over to Somerset in August.

On the first leg of the journey in Dorset the banner will arrive at Beaminster Masonic Hall at about 3.15 pm on Saturday, July 15th (Sunday, July 16th if inclement weather) with the motorcycle escorts.

World music and improvisation event comes to Bridport's Lyric Theatre

ACCLAIMED Bridport based musician Jim Dvorak is bringing together a host of outstanding musicians to perform an evening of music from around the globe.

Following the very popular evening they put together for a delighted audience at The Lyric Theatre last summer, Jim's group OTM returns to the unique Bridport venue tomorrow, Thursday, July 13th, with friends old and new.

OTM (Of The Moment) are: Jim Dvorak on trumpet, Robert Jarvis, trombone, Harrison Smith, saxophones and bass clarinet, and Tim Hill, saxophones. OTM is a unique and exciting wind ensemble whose members' combined musical experience covers many genres, including South African and contemporary jazz, contemporary classical, composing for art installations, 18th century English rural music, funk and street bands.

The evening will also include a solo, two duos and a trio. Sitar player Ricky Romain, who will perform solo, has been studying, performing, and teaching the classical music of North India for more than 40 years.

Ricky will then perform as a duo with bass guitarist Steve Scott. Together they will whip up a cocktail of jazz and jazz funk, and contemporary improv to produce a truly 'new world' mix. The second duo features Ricky on sitar with Harrison Smith on saxophone and bass clarinet, combining Ricky's Indian classical music style with Harrison's blend of contemporary jazz, South African and contemporary classical music.

Rounding off the evening, a trio bring-



■ FUNK: OTM, above, and Ricky Romain, right, will appear at the Lyric Theatre

ing together the talents of Jim Dvorak, Robert Jarvis and Steve Scott combines classical and jazz influences with steaming funk and classical bass guitar subtleties.

Tickets, £12, are available from BearKat Bistro and Bridport Arts Centre: 01308 424204 / www.bridport-arts.com. Doors open at 7pm for a 7:30pm start.



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Martin Clunes: 'Never say never' to tenth series of hit show Doc Martin

FILMING for the next series of *Doc Martin* is underway – with local star Martin Clunes dropping the biggest hint yet that the show could be back for a tenth series.

Our photos taken in Port Isaac, Cornwall, show cast members getting stuck into the filming of what was expected to be the eighth and penultimate season of the hit ITV show.

A ninth series has already been confirmed, which fans widely believed by would be the last. But Clunes, 55, hinted the show may not be coming to an end just yet – saying, "never say never."

He said: "I've been saying that's the last since about the fourth series and now I don't want it to ever stop; I don't know, we'll see."

"We might have just done everything we could do after series nine. It's quite a struggle to keep it fresh without repeating ourselves."

He added: "I'm not really allowed to do any

spoilers or my wife [a producer on the show] will be down on me."

Filming in Port Isaac, the picturesque Cornish fishing village which doubles as fictional Portwenn, started in March.

Clunes is back as grumpy medic Dr Martin Ellingham with Caroline Catz as his wife and local school headmistress, Louisa Ellingham.

In the latest images Caroline is shown in unusual attire.

Ashley said: "They were filming Portwenn School Gig (Boat) Festival, so Caroline was dressed as a sailor with beard and all (*right*)."

The show started in 2004 and attracts an average nine million viewers per episode.

Clunes added: "The number of hours I've stood outside the surgery in Port Isaac and just watched the village getting on with its life I couldn't say, but I never tire of it. I'm never going to get a better job than this."



■ Doc Martin's wife Louisa (Caroline Catz) filing a scene set at Portwenn school
Photo by MATTHEW DiSALVO



■ Martin Clunes filming Doc Martin in Cornwall
Photo by MATTHEW DiSALVO

Masons celebrate anniversary

▼ **THREE** members of the Beaminster Manor Lodge recently participated in a celebratory parade marking the 300th anniversary of freemasonry in England.

In Dorset the main event celebrations was a service in Sherborne Abbey in June attended by many Freemasons from across the county and beyond.

The service was followed by a very rare event – a parade of Freemasons through the town, dressed in their regalia and led by the Sherborne Town band with the Provincial Grand Master for Dorset RW Brother Richard Merritt at the head of the parade members.

The parade was followed by a reception in the Digby Hall for members and guests.

Three members of Beaminster Manor Lodge, RW Brothers Douglas Beazer, John Bateman and David Wakely, attended and participated in the Tercentenary parade (pictured).



Art@Eype returns this weekend

THIS coming Friday through Sunday, the annual Art@Eype exhibition will gather an eclectic mix of Dorset-based artists and makers, who together will show their work – and be present to discuss it with visitors – in the stunning setting of Eype Church Centre for the Arts.

This year the diverse, high-quality artworks encompass painting, drawing, photography, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics and textile art, with 11 artists featured.

With nearly 40 years experience as professional photographer under his belt, Neil Barnes is well known for his landscape photography work (in which local scenes feature prominently).

He also designs and creates digital media and this will come to the fore in his Art@Eype display. Renowned sculptor Greta Berlin began as a potter and moved onto stone in the early 80s. She learned to weld, so as to work lifesize and beyond, eventually making sculptures clad in sheet steel.

Her work now moves fluidly across both mediums and size, and at Eype she will be showing small animal pieces.

Event co-organiser David Brooke, who recently contributed to the 'Moor Otters' project for Dartmoor National Park, is a familiar face in Bridport, but few realise that he is a past president of the Society of Graphic Fine Art (the national drawing society), an academician of the South West Academy, and a member of both the National Acrylic Painters' As-

sociation and the Bath Society of Artists.

Belfast-born but Dorset-based John Davey uses stone and wood to create abstract and figurative forms inspired by the geometry of nature and the landscape of the man-made environment.

He has taught carving techniques both in the UK and abroad.

Creative photographic artist Sally Davies has been one of Art@Eype's organisers since the event's inception.

Working exclusively from her own photographs, Sally uses mainly digital media – and her imagination – to evoke her love of nature in both fresh colour work and striking black and white imagery.

Self-confessed fabricaholic Ingrid Ellis is a textile artist whose work, inspired by colour and line, is mostly abstract, crafted of finely-detailed hand and machine-stitching and the odd bit of 'bling'. She has exhibited in London but more recently rather closer to home in Weymouth.

Animal sculptor Pippa Hill succeeds in capturing the characters of the dogs, cats, hares, cattle, otters and other creatures that she so loves.

Starting in clay, many of her creations go on to be cast in bronze resin, and she is often asked to sculpt people's pets. She also teaches ceramic sculpture.

Another popular Bridport-based artist is Caroline Ireland, who uses colour, patterns, lines and shapes to produce her vibrant and luminous images.

She works mainly in water-colour, soft pastels, and charcoal, drawing on literally anything and everything to stimulate the imagination and make each intuitive piece unique and unexpected.

Self-taught Moira Ladd takes inspiration from the ancient woodlands surrounding her home on the Wiltshire/Dorset border.

Recognised for her use of black and vivid, unpredictable colour, she is also known for her bright seaside pictures of Dorset and gentle watercolours. She has exhibited in London and throughout the South West.

Working mainly in bold acrylic on canvas, Elizabeth Sporne creates strong, vivid portraits that realise both likeness and character.

A part of Art@Eype for several years, she will be showing on a smaller scale this time, as she is also involved in helping to organise the ever-growing Bridport Hat Festival.

West Dorset is depicted in many of Rita Yates' original hand-finished lino prints, which feature seascapes, gardens and our glorious countryside.

She demonstrates and leads courses for local art groups and for the Royal Horticultural Society in Rosemoor, Devon.

Art@Eype runs Friday 14th & Saturday 15th (10am-5pm) and Sunday 16th (10am-4pm) July, with refreshments and ample parking available. Entry is free and more information is available at facebook.com/ArtEype or tel 07718 078453.



■ Sculptor Pippa Hill

'Spot Churchill' to win bottle of Prosecco and chocolates

A FAMOUS silhouette can be seen lurking in shop windows throughout Bridport for the next week or so, as Bridport Hat Festival invites you to 'Spot Churchill'.

In a variation on a treasure hunt, entrants are challenged to not only find all the Churchills but then, in true WWII fashion, to 'crack the code' as well.

'Spot Churchill' entry forms cost £1 and are available now from Bridport Tourist Information Centre and the Electric Palace box office.

Completed forms should be brought to the Electric Palace's special screening of the new film *Churchill* (PG), starting 7.30pm on Saturday, July 22nd, which is fundraising for Bridport Hat Festival.

Full details are available at www.bridportthatfest.org/2017/latest-news/spot-churchill-competition.

churchill-competition

Bridport Hat Festival, which takes place over the first weekend in September, is non-profit, entirely volunteer-run, and raises funds for head-related charities.



Stoke Abbott all set for a day full of fun

STOKE Abbott's annual street fair, on Saturday (July 15th) kicks off in time-honoured tradition with the 'Stoke Abbott Sick Club' parade at 1.45pm.

From 2pm, there will be an exciting array of stalls, a family dog show, live entertainment, alpacas, local craft demonstrations, plus a children's fancy dress parade and 'Dressing the Well' ceremony. Co-ordinator Chris Coles said: "Each year our street fair raises vital funds for the village and a local charity whilst giving locals and tourists a really enjoyable afternoon."

"Once again, we have a well dressing ceremony, a tradition dating back to the 14th

century and we're delighted to have a family dog show once again, back by popular demand."

There are nine classes for all ages in the dog show – including Best Puppy (under one-year-old) to Dog with the Waggiest Tail and Best Junior Handler (aged under 16).

Classes start at 2.15pm and cost £2 each (£5 for three classes) to enter.

As well as a free games garden, children of all ages are invited to come in pirates / mermaids fancy dress and take part in a parade at 3.15pm. Entertainment comes courtesy of the Mill Street Jazz Band, the Wyld Morris Dancers and Mitch Norman.

The New Inn garden will play host to various games and a barbecue.

Set out along the lanes, traditional village-run stalls will include cakes, plants, jams, jewellery, 'Granny's Attic', a gift tombola, crafts and books.

Delicious cream teas will be served throughout the afternoon in the village hall.

Free car parking is available on the road into the village from Beaminster only. There is an entry fee of £1 per adult (children free).

Proceeds will go to St Mary's Church, the village hall and Beaminster Youth Club. Find us on Facebook – facebook.com/stokeabbottstreetfair and Twitter @SASStreetFair



■ The traditional Sick Club Parade

■ Stoke Abbott's Fairy Godmother, Anna Zee, is ready to welcome all the children to the village



Amy's into TeenStar final



BEAMINSTER'S own singing superstar has successfully secured a place in the National Grand Final of TeenStar competition

Amy Walklett, 17, **pictured above**, performed to an almost full house at London's Beck Theatre.

Amy was unlucky not to win on the night, despite a crowd-pleasing performance of Take That's 'Rule The World'.

She was then entered into the wildcard round where contestants competed for the one remaining place in the Grand Final by text voting – and a week later Amy received the congratulatory email from TeenStar that she had secured the last remaining spot.

At the end of July, Amy and

her supporters will travel to St Albans for one more opportunity to perform in front of an industry and celebrity-judging panel at the Alban Arena.

Amy said: "Performing at the area finals was another amazing experience."

"I absolutely loved the bigger stage and audience and was disappointed not to secure a grand final place on the night."

"I knew it was a long shot that I might win the wildcard vote and when the result came in that I had won I could hardly believe it."

"It's been a bit of a roller coaster journey but I have loved every minute of it and I am really excited about the grand final."

"I enjoy all the preparation

and build-up as much as the performing and I feel so lucky to have this opportunity again."

Amy has just completed her first year at The Academy of Music and Sound in Exeter, studying a BTEC in Music, specialising in vocals.

She continues to work towards her goal of working and performing in the music industry and will be spending this summer gigging in the local area, so look out for her at a venue near you.

You can watch Amy's area final performance on YouTube

If you'd like to hear more from Amy and follow her progress in the competition, you can visit her Facebook page @amywalklettmusician

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Walkers take on a marathon trek to support Julia's House

SPONSOR money is still rolling in from 350 walkers who took part in the annual Julia's House Jurassic Coast Trek at the weekend.

Walkers chose from a 13 or 26-mile route which took them along the spectacular Dorset coast path. The events, to raise money for the Dorset and Wiltshire children's hospices, proved so popular the charity had a waiting list of people wanting to take part.

The 26-mile hike set off from Lulworth Cove with the 13-mile trekkers joining them at Worth Matravers. Each group of walkers was assigned a volunteer guide and there were snack and water points along the way. The walk ended at Studland with a celebratory barbecue.

Event organiser Hannah Miller of Julia's House, said: "A big thank you for all those who stepped up to the challenge and to all the volunteers who offered their moral support. It was a brilliant, if sometimes tough,

hilly route at times, but everyone coped magnificently.

"Knowing your efforts are helping support a family with a life-limited child is a huge motivation and kept a lot of people going."

Julia's House looks after children with life-limiting and life-

threatening conditions and supports their parents and siblings. It has a hospice in Corfe Mullen, Dorset and a newly-opened hospice in Devizes, Wiltshire. Almost half the care it provides is in the community, in families' own homes.



■ TREKKERS: Walkers who took part in the Julia's House Jurassic Coast Trek enjoyed the spectacular scenery along the way

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RNLI to kick off the summer holidays with Lifeboat Week in Lyme Regis!



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LYME Regis Lifeboat Week will be officially opened by Dorset-based actress, comedian and impressionist Debra Stephenson on Saturday, July 22nd.

As an impressionist, Debra is best known for her co-starring role in BBC One's 'The Impressions Show' with Culshaw and Stephenson.

As an actress Debra, from Poole, played Shell Dockley in 'Bad Girls', the feisty Frankie Baldwin in 'Coronation Street' and Diane Powell in 'Playing

the Field'. She also plays major parts in BBC Radio 4's 'Dead Ringers' and ITV's 'Newzoids'.

Debra, who owns a speedboat with her husband James, said they were looking forward to coming to Lyme Regis, and plan to make it a family day out with children Max, 14, and Zoe, 10.

Debra added: "My husband enjoys our boat for fishing, and so far we have not had to call out the RNLI. But it's very comforting to know the volunteer crews are there."



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Get ready for the Red Devils

LYME Regis celebrates the efforts of its brave lifeboat crew every year during Lifeboat Week in July, which raises thousands of pounds for the RNLI. Plans for this year's event, which will run from July 22nd to 29th with this year's star attraction being the Red Devils – the British Army's parachute display team.

A classic Red Devils display will see up to ten team members jumping from an altitude of 10,000ft. Trailing smoke to demonstrate their speed and movement,

the highly skilled skydivers will freefall at speeds up to 120mph before opening their parachutes. Then they will demonstrate breathtaking, high-speed 'swoop' landings and spectacular 'canopy formations', both unique to parachute displays in the UK.

Plans for other events during the week are well under way. The fireworks display is scheduled for Friday 28th at 10pm and the popular Three Counties Swing Band will perform the same evening.



Who can beat the Fire Crew's bathtub record?

A NEW event will be a water polo match between the RNLI lifeguards and the lifeboat crew on July 25th, and the popular bathtub race is scheduled for July 22nd, for which the all-conquering Dorset Fire and Rescue crew have thrown down the gauntlet to other competitors.

"We aim to break all the records again this year," said skipper Virgil Turner.

Last year the firefighters crew of nine won for the sixth year running using their somewhat unconventional snow shovels as oars.

"There's no rule against the shovels and, in fact, they are very hard work and almost a handicap," said Virgil, who is station commander with the fire and rescue service in Lyme Regis.

"We challenge anyone to beat us this year and once again we will have one or two tricks up our sleeve."

"Apart from just winning we aim to do it in a record time."

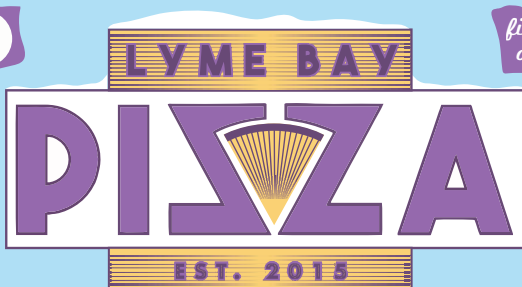


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Lifeboat volunteers at RNLI Lyme Regis - their life and times in a new book

A BOOK looking back at the life and times of Lyme Regis lifeboat men and women – and the lifeboats themselves – will be launched on the first day of Lifeboat Week.

Written by the lifeboat station's volunteer press officer, retired newspaper and BBC

journalist Richard Horobin, the fully illustrated book is part of the charity's history book project.

It tells how a makeshift lifeboat service started in the town in 1826, and how a Christmas tragedy led to Lyme Regis getting

a 'proper' lifeboat, powered by sails and oars, 27 years later.

With much help from local historians and lifeboat supporters, the author has brought to life a fascinating collection of stories about dedicated volunteers who ran a lifeboat service in the town, despite all the odds, over a period of nearly 160 years.

There is the crew member who was shipwrecked eight times as a mariner and the coxswain who served the lifeboat for 34 years and was famed for his strength, picking up a man with one arm and placing him on a table. He also salvaged a huge barrel of alcohol from a shipwreck and carried it single handed up a cliff!

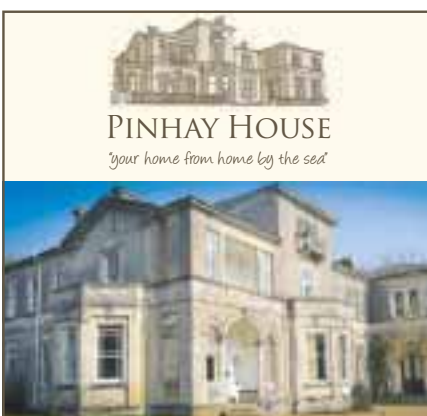
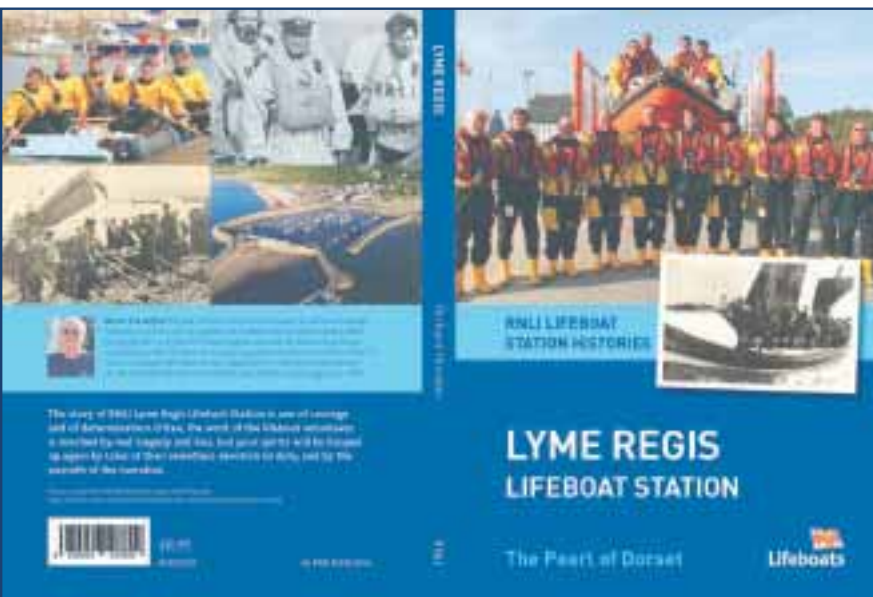
The story of an MP who vanished without trace over Lyme Bay after being trapped in a hot air balloon makes incredible reading.

The dramatic episode when a ship was torpedoed by a German submarine a short distance from Lyme Regis harbour had an amusing twist amid the tragedy and chaos.

And in more recent times the amazing survival of a couple whose helicopter crashed into Lyme Bay in dense fog, and the tragic tale of the severely disabled woman whose wheelchair fell into Lyme Regis harbour and the desperate attempts made to save her.

There are the lighter moments, too, such as the crew Christmas dinner when the annual awards are presented, and the story of Lifeboat Week, from the early 1970s.

The new book will be available from the lifeboat shop on the Cobb and other outlets in the town from July 22nd, priced at £8.95 with all proceeds going to the RNLI.



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Lyme's going quackers for carnival again!

LYME Regis will be going quackers for carnival once again as the town is invited to take part in the third annual Decorated Duck Competition.

The competition was launched during Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival Week in 2015 and has since taken the town by storm with shops and businesses fiercely competing to see their duck crowned Carnival Queen!

All local shops, businesses and organisations are being invited to take part in this year's competition, which will run through Regatta & Carnival Week, starting on Saturday, August 5th.

Plain yellow, wooden ducks will be

delivered to all those wanting to take part in advance of carnival week and can be decorated in any way participants see fit – the more imaginative the better! Ducks should then

be displayed in shop and business windows throughout the week for the public to vote for their favourites, with the winners to be announced on Friday, August 11th when all the ducks will be brought together for a display on Marine Parade.

The winner will be crowned Carnival Queen and will take pride of place in the Grand Carnival Procession on Saturday, August 12th, which will top off a week of family-friendly, seaside events.



2016 Decorated Duck competition winners

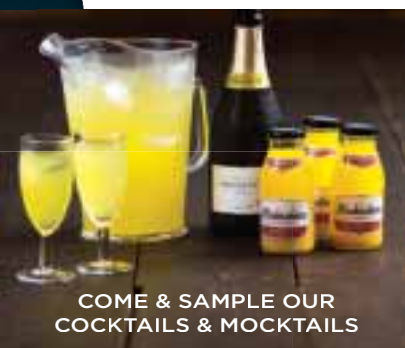


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ORGANISERS are hoping this year's procession will be bigger and better than ever, with a number of marching and samba bands booked to get everyone in the carnival spirit. Local businesses, organisations and families are also being invited to take part.

A packed programme of events is being put together for the week, which will this year coincide with the Red Arrows display on Thursday, August 10th at 6.15pm, and the Regatta & Carnival Committee will be making the most of this bumper day by hosting a grand firework display in the evening.



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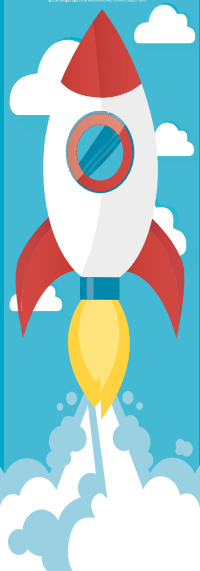
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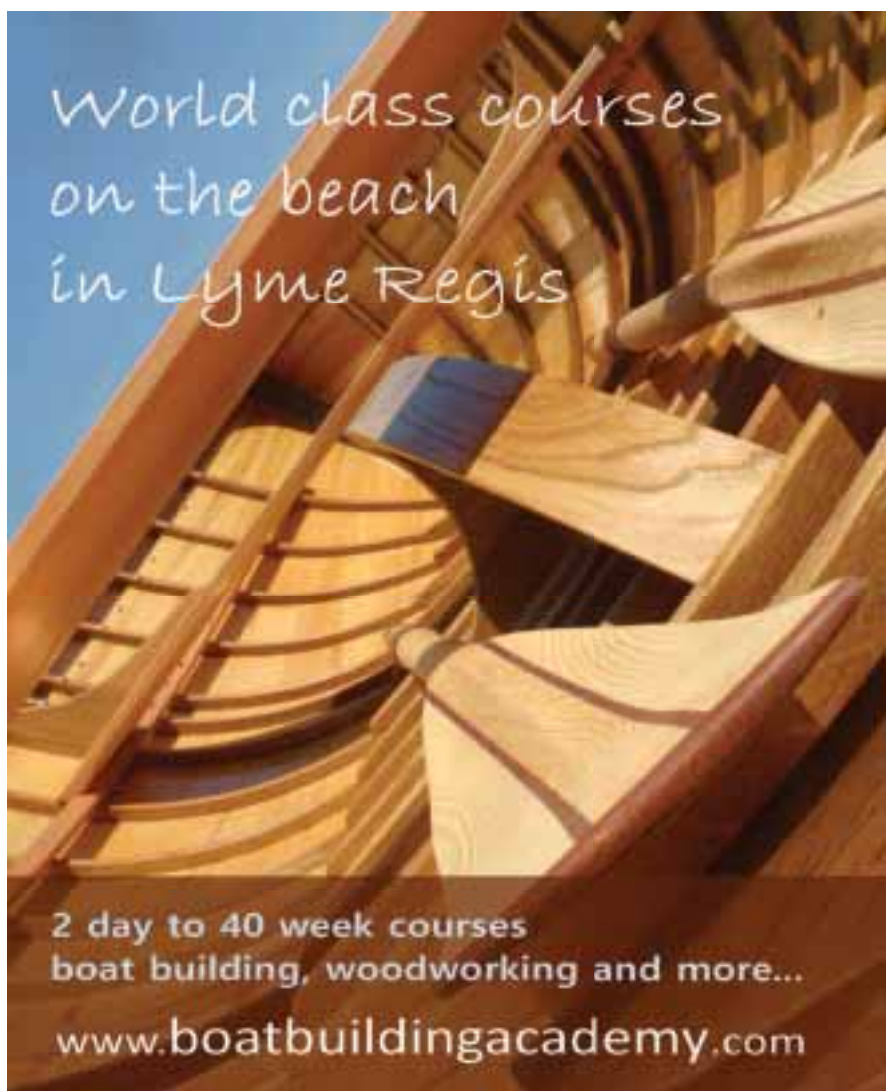
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2016 Walk of Light torchlight procession

Walk of Light torchlight procession on Sunday, August 6th

OTHER major events during the week will include the popular Walk of Light torchlight procession on Sunday, August 6th and the moving Candles Down the River on Tuesday, August 8th.

New to this year's programme will be an opening procession at the beginning of the week on Saturday, August 5th, and the week will finish with the grand duck race on Sunday, August 13th.



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Bridport Arts Centre's busy July programme

TAKE ADVANTAGE of Bridport Arts Centre's busy programme this July and head to for one of their performances. Expect a range of shows for varied tastes and interests.

The Vera Lynn Story takes to the stage this Saturday, July 15th at 7.30pm.

The show tells the story of the plumber's daughter who rises from humble origins to capture the hearts of a nation and become the most famous singer of the 1950s.

There'll be an outdoor family performance on July 31st at 7pm. Circus Raj, a veritable super group of Rajasthan's elite street circus performers will combing their amazing skills to perform breathtaking acts of courage and bravery on the Millennium Green. With a cast of dancers, illusionists, aerialists, acrobats and rope walkers, with the eye-watering displays by their fakir, they present a colourful, vibrant, fast-moving extravaganza of intrigue, drama, feats of daring, music, laughter and surprise.

If music is your thing prepare to be amazed when Acid house legend Adamski joins us at the BAC for a DJ set of 80s & 90s influences and club classics.

A major force on the UK club scene, Adamski scored international success with his timeless No1 single 'Killer' as well as dance anthems 'NRG' and his debut album 'Live and Direct'.

The night will also feature a live performance by Sonny Eriksson on his new cyberbilly alter ego...all singin', all dancin' n' guitar pickin' cyberspace age rockabilly from the basement of Adamski's pop culture obsessed mind.

Star of Mock the Week and Live at the Apollo Ivo Graham will headline the Comedy Café's 'Big Night Out' show on July 21st, 8pm. Apologetic Eton and Oxford alumnus Ivo started stand-up in 2009 at the age of eighteen and eight months later became the youngest ever winner of the prestigious "So You Think You're Funny" award for new acts at the Edinburgh Fringe. For more details on the Big Night Out, see the adjacent piece (right).

There'll also be a range of art, films (including a sing along version of Summer Holiday, July 27th) and Jamboree, a week of events for children from July 24th.

For the full list of events visit www.bridport-arts.com



■ Adamski

Comedy Café's Big Night Out

STAR OF *Mock the Week* and *Live at the Apollo*, Ivo Graham will headline this month's Comedy Café 'Big Night Out' show at the Bridport Arts Centre.

The special 'Big Night Out' show sees the comedy café move from its usual Wednesday night home in the café to the main theatre with a Friday night show offering three headline acts for the price of one.

TV star Ivo Graham will be joined by former English Comedian of the Year, Jack Campbell, and internet sensation Louis Burgess.

Apologetic Eton and Oxford alumnus Ivo Graham started stand-up in 2009 at the age of eighteen and eight months later became the youngest ever winner of the prestigious "So You Think You're Funny" award for new acts at the Edinburgh Fringe.

This led the following year to nominations for Chortle Best Newcomer and Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year, and performances at Montreal's Just For Laughs Festival, and the Hollywood Fringe and he's since established himself as a regular on our TV screens with a gauche charm and crafty, self-aware wit which has proved a hit with audiences of all ages.

Opening the show will be Jack Campbell, who since being crowned English Comedian of the Year in 2014 has gone on to perform internationally and taken two solo shows to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Jack is known for his finely polished yet off beat brand of comedy and expertly observed routines on everyday life.

In the middle will be internet sensation Louis Burgess who's online comedy videos have received millions of views worldwide. Based in Devon Louis has been a regular on the south west scene for a good few years but has recently found internet fame now boasting more than 50,000 followers on his Facebook fan page.

Completing the line up as ever will be local comedian and regular host of the Comedy Café, Tom Glover.

The BAC Comedy Café will be at 8pm on Friday, July 21st. Tickets are £8 adults/£6 concessions and available from the arts centre box office on 01308 424204



■ Ivo Graham

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TOP 10

Top Ten Artist Sales of Preloved Vinyl for week ending Saturday, July 8th compiled by Clocktower Music Bridport

1. The Beatles
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3. Iron Maiden
4. John Martin
5. Pink Floyd
6. Elton John
7. Elvis Presley
8. Fairport Convention
9. Iggy Pop
10. Michael Jackson

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VIEW 2

Your guide to local live music

TRANSMISSION*** **JURASSIC FIELDS 2017 SPECIAL** *****Show of Hands, is Steve the best?**

STEVE Knightley, the song writing force behind Show of Hands, makes his debut at the Jurassic Fields Music Festival on Saturday, July 15th. With partner Phil Beer they are widely acclaimed as the finest acoustic roots duo in England, with three Royal Albert Hall sell-outs to their name.

Knightley is renowned for his strong, trademark narrative songs which reflect the escapades, hopes and fears not only of people in his native West Country but beyond and he pulls no punches when writing highly literate songs about bigger, global issues.

No stranger to the area, he lives just over the border in East Devon, and was a teacher at Beaminster School until he left to concentrate on his music career in the mid 90s.



Away from Show of Hands, Steve has guested on Mick Jagger's solo album Goddess in the Doorway and performed as the "folk" element of the striking band Faith, Folk and Anarchy, which also featured songwriters Martyn Joseph and Tom Robinson.

BBC Radio 2 DJ Mike Harding described Knightley as: "One of England's greatest singer songwriters".

This Saturday we have the privileged to see why!



One of England's greatest singer songwriters"

Mike Harding, BBC Radio 2

Neville follows in the footsteps of the Fun Lovin' Criminals

NEVILLE Staple, the "Original Rude Boy" of the Specials headlines Saturday's evening's main stage, following in the footsteps of Fun Lovin' Criminals, Doctor and the Medics, Orange Street and Dodgy, who have all closed this increasingly popular two-day event in previous years.

Among the other acts are festival heavyweights Laid Blak, the main act on the Big Top stage and Willie and the Bandits.

Now in its fourth year, the Jurassic Fields Music Festival is amazing value for money with over 40 outstanding bands and performers playing on Friday night and all day on Saturday. This year there is a new improved site layout including a comedy tavern.

There are eight bands that appeared at the recent Glastonbury Festival including Rews, cited by Radio 6 DJ Mark Radcliffe as his favourite act of the whole festival. Their new single "Miss You In The Dark" was Radio 1's Huw Stephens "Tip of the Week".

Friday night is headlined by the Stereophonics and Smith & Mighty, whilst back by popular demand is Mr B the Gentleman Rhymer, a real treat with his Chap-Hop music.



■ Rews



■ Neville Staple

Strong local flavour

■ The Leggomen at Jurassic Fields 2016
 Photo by Dylan Hanby

WHILST there are a huge number of top internationally known acts appearing at Jurassic Fields 2017, the event is also an opportunity for local talent to show their prowess on the four stages.

It will also feature two brilliant well known bands that have supported this event every year and are festival favourites.

Shelby's Elbows, Martin P Davies and Phil Jeffs, are an exciting, dynamic acoustic duo, who hail from Bridport, whilst the Leggomen, a four man Weymouth band, produce a gritty Orlando blues feel, mixed with rock, country and indie.

Not only music

THE event is a community friendly family event and as such not only caters for parents and children that like music, but is a family day out, and there is plenty to keep the younger ones occupied.

Besides a wide range of exciting food and craft stalls, on Saturday there is an ever growing children's area from trampolines, to inflatable slide and face painting to name a few.

With children free, it's too good an opportunity not to miss!

Ticketing

EACH year the footfall has doubled at Jurassic Fields, and sales this year suggest a further increase, so don't delay and get your tickets now.

Go to www.jurassicfields.com, or if you are in Bridport at Footprints, East Street or the Tourist Information Centre in Bucky Doo, and don't forget accompanied children are free!

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Are you ready for a Hayseed hoedown?

HAYSEED DIXIE are playing at the Marine Theatre on Saturday, July 21st at 8pm. With fiddle, guitar, mandolin and banjo this hillbilly foursome is an awesome live band. Standing only!

With roots firmly set in East Nashville Tennessee, John teamed up with Mike Daly in 2000; they drank some whiskey, invited some friends along and started to play around with a few tunes, reinventing some of the classic AC/DC songs. They weren't really interested in making records, they

just wanted to enjoy playing their music.

But now nearly two decades later those Appalachian Mountain hillbilly rave-ups have morphed into 15 albums that have sold over half a million worldwide and over 1,200 live performances in 31 different countries, Hayseed have become the undisputed champions of their unique style of music.

But what is the Hayseed music like?

"I've always thought of us as a rock band. It just so happens that

we play instruments which are more associated with folk music. I grew up in Nashville playing mostly rock music. We started calling it rockgrass because it is kind of our own thing."

If there was ever such a thing as a hillbilly band playing rock classics, then Hayseed are it.

Hayseed Dixie are playing at the Marine Theatre on July 21st at 8pm. Tickets are £18 in advance £20 on the door. Visit www.marinetheatre.com or Call the Box Office on 01297 442138



Gambling on the future

MARK THOMAS comes to Dorchester with his work in progress 'A Show That Gambles on the Future' on Wednesday, July 19th in an attempt to make futurologists of all of us.

Few predicted the events of 2016. And even fewer seem to know where we are going. Mark Thomas sets out to discover what the future has in store for us by collecting and examining his own predictions and those of his audiences before gambling on their outcome. By making futurologists of us all, he will create a fantastical, hilarious and possibly accurate vision of the world. And maybe even make a few quid on the side.

Based along the lines of his 2011 show 'Manifesto' Mark takes suggestions from the audience to create a snapshot of the future.

One of the few stand-ups still to carry the political standard of alternative comedy, Mark Thomas is essentially an observational comic – only his observations tend to revolve around the crusading anti-corporate, anti-greed investigations he undertakes.

Tickets are £10 (age guidance 16+) and are available from the Dorchester Arts box office on 01305 266926, in person at the Corn Exchange (weekdays 10am - 4pm) or via www.dorchesterarts.org.uk.



Lette Kathy take you on a Girls Night Out

'GIRLS NIGHT OUT' is a psychological strip tease taking us from 'puberty blues' to 'menopause blues', with tales of love, lust, men, marriage, pregnancy, childbirth, mastitis, sexist bosses, teenage-daughter-wrangling, ageing, toy boys, making the Queen laugh, hiding Julian Assange in her attic, tongue kissing Prince William and Close Encounters of the George Clooney Kind, en route.

Kathy also talks poignantly about the trials, tribulations and hilarity of raising a child on the autistic spectrum. Australian born author, screenwriter, journalist, party girl and all-round bonne vivant, Kathy Lette is best known for her many novels including: How To Kill Your Husband: And Other Handy Household Hints, Foetal Attraction and Nip'n'Tuck. Kathy's decided it's time to take centre stage and share intimate details of her varied and multi coloured personal, social and professional lives.

So, grab your girlfriends and come along. Wit, warmth and full frontal frankness are guaranteed. (Men, attend at your own risk!) Kathy Lette brings 'Girls Night Out' to Dorchester Corn Exchange on Saturday, July 22nd. Tickets are £12 and are available from the Dorchester Arts box office on 01305 266926, in person at the Corn Exchange (weekdays 10am - 4pm) or via www.dorchesterarts.org.uk.

It's been a long Drive to get here

'THE DRIVE' arrives at the Marine Theatre on Thursday, July 20th at 6.30pm; and what a long way they've come since April 2016 when it was still in the planning stage.

It has been described as a journey of friendship, the fragility of memory and coming of age in the 1990s, as two friends drive from London to Oslo.

Angel Exit Theatre Tamsin Fessey and Lynne Forbes are described as consummate storytellers but you won't believe it's a story, you will be convinced it's for real.

When they were rehearsing at the Marine back in 2016, they were overheard saying

"I'm not going to apologise for cleaning the fridge."

Such was their convincing acting as they practiced their lines walking round the theatre, it sent the staff into a frenzy only to discover it was an important line in their performance.

A story of a friendship between two women; regrets, grief, loss and memories of relationships they have had with other female friends; you soon work out the two different characters, one of them is pretty relaxed about life but the other standoffish and reluctant to talk.

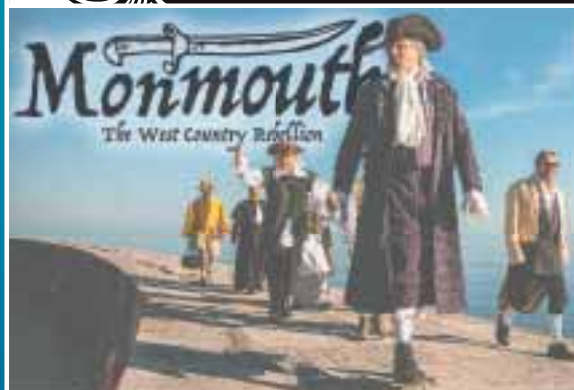
But it is during the drive and later in the hotel when some recognisable human behaviour starts to emerge. Those awkward moments when we let our guard down after we've had one too many and losing our temper in an explosion of anger.

So if you've ever experienced one of those long awkward journeys when conversation doesn't flow, come along for The Drive, you may find it's a journey worth taking!

The Drive is on at the Marine Theatre, Thursday, July 20th 6.30pm all tickets £10. For tickets tel 01297 442138 or visit www.marinetheatre.com



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Thu: 10.15, 11.30, 13.45, 17.45

Spider-man: Homecoming 2D 12A

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Thu: 14.15, 17.30, 20.45

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Thu: 11.20, 17.45, 20.45

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Fri-Wed: 16.50, 20.00

Thu: 16.50

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UNTIL WEDNESDAY JULY 26th

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UNTIL SATURDAY 22nd

WEYMOUTH: Dorchester Art Club's Summer Exhibition. Mulberry Gallery, Weymouth Library, George Street, DT4 8NN, 10 - 22 July, during Library hours. Come and see an eclectic mix of artwork in various media by local artists, many at affordable prices. Free Entry. All Welcome. www.dorchesterartclub.co.uk

WEDNESDAY JULY 12th

BROADWINDSOR: Low impact dancefit 10.30am. Yogalates 11.30am. At the Comrades Hall, £5 each or block booking discount. Contact 07585 356929.

LYME REGIS: U3A Heritage Coast. 'Adventures at the Seaside'. Illustrated talk by Deirdre Dee. An entertaining presentation revealing all (or, at least, a modest amount) about our love of the seaside, coming right up to date by examining how seaside resorts are continually re-inventing themselves to stay alive in the 21st Century. Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis DT7 3PG. Coffee/tea from 10.00am, talk at 11.00am. Free for members, suggested donation for talk £2 to non-members. More information about the U3A at website lymeregisu3a.org or phone 01297-444566.

FRIDAY JULY 14th

ASKERSWELL: Pilates at the village hall, 9.30am. £6 or block booking discount. For more details call 07585 356929

FRIDAY JULY 14th - WEDNESDAY JULY 26th

LYME REGIS: Pots and Paints is the second joint exhibition of recent work by painter Malcolm Gladjan and master potter Eddie Daughton. Open daily 10.30-4.30. Free admission. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU

FRIDAY JULY 14th & SUNDAY JULY 15th

MAIDEN NEWTON: Maiden Newton Art Group meet most Wednesday afternoons throughout the year and are holding their Annual Art and Craft Exhibition on 14th/15th July at Maiden Newton Village Hall (near the Station). The event starts on Friday 14th from 6pm-9pm with wine and nibbles and Saturday 15th 10am - 4pm with Items for Sale, Refreshments, Homemade cakes, Craft stalls and Demonstrations. All are welcome and entry is free.

SATURDAY JULY 15th

BUCKLAND NEWTON: Piddle Valley Players present 'There's Talent in the Valley'. An evening of song, music and other spectacular talent. At Buckland Newton Village Hall. Tickets £5 including a light buffet, £3 for performers, available from BN village shop, cash bar operating throughout the evening.

WEYMOUTH: 'A Night at the Movies' family friendly concert with Dorset Sinfonia, 6pm at Weymouth Bay Methodist Church. Adults £10, children 17 and under free. Tickets available from Dorchester TIC and Dorchester Library.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Summer Show and Country Fayre from 1pm to 5pm on the Uplyme Playing Field. Schedules have been available for some time, but it is not too late to get hold of one and decide which classes to enter. Even if you are not competing, there will be plenty of stalls, demonstrations, games, free train rides, refreshments and musical entertainments. There is also the Family Dog Show, going from strength to strength, with entries taken on the day from 1pm. For more details, see our website at ulhrs.wordpress.com.

BOTHENHAMPTON: Film: 'Moonlight' at Bothenhampton Village Hall. Starts 7.30pm. £4 for film club members, £5 for everybody else. For more details call 01308 423071.

LITTON CHENEY: Litton Cheney summer fete at Litton & Thorne's Community Hall from 12.30, featuring steel band Steel The Sound, with barbecue lunches, teas, stalls and games.

MONDAY JULY 17th

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'Buckets'

Performed by Dorchester Youth Theatre
Performance Company
ReView by Emily Wilkinson

DORCHESTER Youth Theatre's Performance Company have once again proved that they don't shy away from difficult material. "buckets" by Adam Barnard explores the harsh reality of life, loss and the ever-depleting time we have left to find fulfilment, peace or the meaning of life.

The cast move from emotional torment to comedic relief with ease, showing their diversity and talent with both genres. With the majority of the scenes set out as duologues, this is a play as much about the connection and relationship between the actors as it is about the play text itself.

Set in the round, the staging was very intimate, which was very fitting for some of the more emotional scenes. This is put to work straight away as the play opens, with a mother discussing the terminal illness of her child with her doctor, struggling to come to terms with such a premature mortality. This scene was one of many poignant moments that really brought to light the emotional maturity of the company. The ambiguity of these scenes only added to the intimate atmosphere, as the audience could find personal significance in many of the moments onstage.

Moments of comedy throughout the piece lifted the audience's spirits. The company put their own twist on the text with masterful comic timing, finding humour in the simplest of actions.

Overall, DYT's production of "buckets" was a moving, thought provoking and relevant piece of theatre, of which the cast and crew should be very proud.



An Evening of Improvisation From Around the World

ACCLAIMED Bridport based musician Jim Dvorak is bringing together a host of outstanding musicians to perform a mouth-watering evening of music from around the globe.

Following the very popular evening they put together for a delighted audience at The Lyric Theatre last summer, Jim's group OTM returns to the unique Bridport venue on Thursday, July 13th, with friends old and new.

OTM (Of The Moment) are: Jim Dvorak (on trumpet), Robert Jarvis (trombone), Harrison Smith (saxophones and bass clarinet) and Tim Hill (saxophones). OTM is a unique and exciting wind ensemble whose members' combined musical experience covers many genres, including South African and contemporary jazz, contemporary classical, composing for art installations, 18th century English rural music, funk and street bands.

The evening will also include a solo, two duos and a trio. Sitar player Ricky Romain, who will perform solo, has been studying, performing, and teaching the classical music of North India for over 40 years. Balancing a passion for improvisation and virtuosic flair with a deep soulfulness, he has mesmerised numerous audiences with the shimmering, iridescent sounds of the sitar.

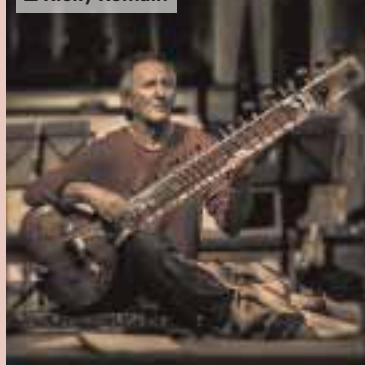
Ricky will then perform as a duo with bass guitarist Steve Scott. Together they will whip up a cocktail of jazz and jazz funk, and contemporary improv to produce a truly 'new world' mix rarely heard live. The second duo features Ricky on sitar with Harrison Smith on saxophone and bass clarinet. Ricky's music will centre around an Indian classical music style and will combine with Harrison Smith's unique blend of contemporary jazz, South African and contemporary classical music.

Rounding off the evening, a trio bringing together the talents of Jim Dvorak, Robert Jarvis and Steve Scott combines classical and jazz influences with steaming funk and classical bass guitar subtleties.

These five musicians guarantee a scintillating evening for all who attend!

Tickets, £12, are available from BearKat Bistro and Bridport Arts Centre: 01308 424204 or online at www.bridport-arts.com. Doors open at 7pm for a 7:30pm start.

■ Ricky Romain



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Pirate Fares: Adult £12.95, Child (3-15yrs) £9.50, Under 3s FREE! Not to be missed this summer is the wonderful Dinosaur Tram Adventure! Families and children are sure to enjoy this adventure-filled tram ride with music, stories, fossil dig and dinosaur activity area at Colyton Station. Help Professor Percival the Palaeontologist uncover the secrets of a land that time forgot and fulfil a mission to make contact with some forgotten species. Children will also receive a dinosaur goody bag. Departing from

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Dorchester Arts Open Exhibition

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The prizes for this popular competition include a winner's exhibition at Duke's Gallery, Brewery Square during Dorset Art Weeks 2018, £250 cash and a feature in Evolver magazine.

This biennial art exhibition has grown consistently over the years and the 2017 Open attracted entries from 80 artists. Work includes both amateur artists and well-known names, making the show a wonderful opportunity for local people and visitors alike to discover the wealth of artistic talent the region has to offer.

Dorchester Arts Artistic Director, Mark Tattersall commented "The range of work submitted for this exhibition is always extraordinary: as well as paintings, prints, drawings and photos we see artists using materials such as textiles and paper in the most imaginative ways. We are also delighted that this year submissions include 3-dimensional work, as

the exhibition has moved from the now disused Dorchester Arts Centre to the more flexible space at Duke's Gallery, near Brewery Square"

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Harriet Stacy-Marks, Principal of May



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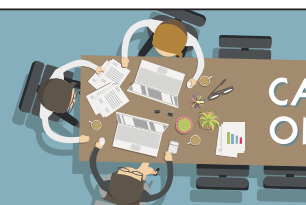
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Even better value for a best seller: The updated Golf

VOLKSWAGEN is celebrating the news that the updated Golf is Britain's best-selling car with a raft of compelling, limited time, new offers on the car at participating Retailers nationwide further enhance the Golf's appeal this month.

Until Monday 24 July customers can benefit from a generous £1,500 deposit contribution at 4.9 per cent APR representative when opting for a Volkswagen Financial Services' Solutions Personal Contract Plan on their new Golf. In addition, the car's first two services are included at no extra cost, underlining the strong package the Golf Event offers to customers.

The new offer applies to all Golf hatchback (e-Golf excluded) and Estate models, including the dynamic range of Performance Golfs: the GTD, GTI, GTI Performance, R and the hybrid GTE and GTE Advance.

An iconic car almost since its launch 43 years ago, the Golf has always combined quality and versatility with a comprehensive list of equipment. From its debut in March this year, the latest model continues this trend. Among the features of the updated Golf are new engines, more technology, improved connectivity and revised styling.

Value is the other key ingredient in the enduring appeal of the Golf and, despite the considerable enhancements to the updated model, it is on average priced around £650 lower than the previous model. The broad range starts with the Golf S at just £17,765 (OTR RRP), or £19,470 (OTR RRP) in Estate form.

Among other things, a generous list of standard equipment sets the Golf apart from the pack. Every updated Golf now includes a three-year/60,000-mile warranty, Electronic Stability Control, ASR traction control, a Driver Alert system and an electronic button-operated handbrake as standard.

The equipment continues with City Emergency Braking, a system that safely slows the car to a standstill if a pedestrian steps out in front of it. Alongside that is Front Assist, which uses radar to monitor the gap to the car in front and will apply the brakes if a collision is imminent.

Volkswagen's commitment to providing the best in-car connectivity is reaffirmed via the eight-inch colour touchscreen that provides the interface to the Composition Media infotainment system. This features DAB digital radio, a CD player, a Bluetooth connection to pair two mobile devices with the car and a variety of other features too.

Climbing through the range, the Golf SE includes Adaptive Cruise Control, 16-inch alloy wheels, automatic windscreen wipers, automatic lights and parking sensors. The Golf SE also features Volkswagen's Driver Personalisation system. This means the car will remember up to four profiles and will adjust the radio station pre-sets, phone connectivity and contacts, and addresses in the navigation system to the personal profile the driver selects in the car menu.

Golf SE Navigation is additionally equipped with, among much else, the Discover Navigation satellite navigation

system; while the GT adds styling details and the R-Line has a sport-focused styling pack that includes unique front and rear bumpers, a rear roof spoiler and side skirts. Available as an option is the Discover Navigation Pro system with a 9.2-inch touchscreen and, for the first time in this class, Gesture Control that allows convenient menu browsing with the swipe of a hand.

At the top of the Golf range is the proven line-up of Performance Golfs. These are the thrilling GTD, GTI, GTI Performance and 4MOTION-equipped Golf R. Each of these models now includes a 12.3-inch colour TFT Active Info Display screen in place of traditional analogue instruments.

That broad range of trims is matched by a comprehensive engine line-up. The range starts with the 1.0-litre TSI unit that has an output of 85 PS and a CO₂ figure of just 108 g/km. Fuel economy is strong, too, at 58.9 mpg on the combined cycle. This engine has been widely praised due to its driveability and effortless performance.

Available for the first time in Golf is the new 1.5-litre TSI EVO engine. Offered in two versions, it appears in frugal 130 PS form in the Golf SE and SE Navigation, and in the more potent 150 PS guise in GT and R-Line trims.

Looking at the Performance Golfs, the GTD has a 2.0-litre TDI with 184 PS and the inimitable Golf GTI's 2.0-litre TSI engine is good for 230 PS. This is the same figure as the GTI Performance from the previous model. Today's Golf GTI Perfor-

mance has an output of 245 PS, while sitting at the top of the Golf tree is the all-wheel drive Golf R with an output of 310 PS from its 2.0-litre TSI engine.

Also included in the comprehensive Golf Event offer is the forward-thinking Golf GTE. This model has a plug-in petrol-electric hybrid powertrain and is available as a five-door hatch only. It combines outstanding economy with crisp performance through its dual petrol and electric motors. CO₂ is an ultra-low 38 g/km* and the combined fuel consumption figure is an impressive 166.2 mpg*.

The updated Golf GTE includes Active Info Display, the Composition Media in-

footainment system, 2Zone climate control and a GTE styling pack. Volkswagen also offers the GTE Advance model, which adds Discover Navigation, 18-inch 'Marseille' alloy wheels, heated seats, e-sound and tinted windows.

The GTE ensures that as well as being the best-selling car in the UK last month, the Golf is the only car currently on sale here available with either a petrol, diesel, petrol-electric hybrid or all-electric drivetrain.

For more details on the Volkswagen Golf range and the Golf Event – together with brochures and pricing – and to use Volkswagen's online configurator, please visit www.volkswagen.co.uk.



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The new Audi A8 - the future of the luxury class

TODAY is where the future begins in the luxury class: The new Audi A8 makes its world debut at the Audi Summit in Barcelona. In its fourth generation, the flagship model again sets the benchmark for Vorsprung durch Technik with a new design language, an innovative touch-screen operating concept and systematic drivetrain electrification. The Audi A8 is also the first production car in the world to have been developed for highly automated driving. From 2018, Audi will gradually be taking piloted driving functions such as parking pilot, garage pilot and traffic jam pilot into production.

Doyen of style:

The exterior design

The new Audi A8 is stylistically defining – it signals the beginning of a new design era for the entire brand. The front end with its wide, upright Singleframe grille and the fluid, muscular body convey power, elegance, sophistication and modernity, and deliver on the promise made by the Audi prologue design study. The luxury saloon makes a suitably emphatic statement whether in 5.17-metre 'standard' form or as the A8 L, which has a 13 centimetre longer wheelbase. The Audi brand is renowned worldwide for consistent innovation in design and engineering, for lightweight construction and for quattro permanent all-wheel drive – and every facet of the new A8 reflects these values.

The balanced proportions emphasise all four wheels in equal

measure, and the muscular definition above the wheel arches gives visual expression to the quattro drive. Viewed side-on, the upright front end combined with the gently inclined rear create visual tension which is intensified, particularly at night, by the striking HD Matrix LED headlights with Audi laser lighting, and the LED light strip combined with OLED technology at the rear. These produce unique light animations as the driver approaches and leaves the car.

Luxury from head-to-toe:

The interior

Space is often considered to be the ultimate luxury, and compared to its predecessor the new A8 has grown substantially in length in both body styles. Occupants can also now relax in even more sublime surroundings, with every detail radiating superlative bespoke quality – from the perforation in the seat upholstery to the electrically opening and closing shutters on the air vents.

The most sought-after seat in the new Audi flagship model could quite possibly be the rear left – the optional relaxation seat in the A8 L that comes with four different adjustment options and a footrest. In this seat, the passenger can warm and massage the soles of their feet on a unit with multiple settings incorporated into the back of the front-passenger seat. The new comfort head restraints complete the experience. Rear passengers can also control an array of functions such as ambient lighting, the new HD Matrix reading lights and seat massage, and can make private phone calls via a separate operating unit. The rear seat remote control, with its smart-phone-size OLED display, is a removable unit housed in the centre armrest.

Mild hybrid and e-tron

The new A8 makes its debut with two extensively reengineered V6 turbo engines: a 3.0 TDI and a 3.0 TFSI. The diesel develops 286PS, and the petrol version 340PS. An eight-cylinder TDI – a 4.0-litre with 435PS – will follow slightly later. The exclusive top engine version is the W12 with a displacement of 6.0 litres.

All five engines operate in conjunction with a belt alternator starter (BAS), which is the nerve centre of the 48-volt electrical system. This mild hybrid technology (MHEV, mild hybrid electric vehicle) enables the car to coast with the engine switched off, and to restart smoothly. It also has an extended start/stop function and an energy recovery output of up to 12 kW. The combined effect of these measures is to bring down the fuel consumption of the already efficient engines even further – by as much as 0.7 litres for every 100 kilometres (62.1 miles) covered in real world driving conditions.

The A8 L e-tron quattro with its

powerful plug-in hybrid drivetrain will follow at a later date: Its 3.0 TFSI engine and powerful electric motor achieve 449PS of system power and 700 Nm (516.3 lb-ft) of system torque. The lithium-ion battery stores enough power for about 31 miles of electric driving. It can optionally be charged by Audi Wireless Charging. A pad in the garage floor transfers the power inductively to a receiver coil in the car with a power output of 3.6 kW.

The new Audi A8 and A8 L are being built at the Neckarsulm plant in Germany and will be appearing on UK roads in late 2017 following initial availability for ordering in September.



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Uplyme & Lyme Regis Cricket

Moss the match winner after horror start

Tolchards Drinks Devon League Division C (East)
UPLYME & LYME REGIS 152 FOR 9 (35.4 ov) BEAT CULLOMPTON 148 ALL OUT (33ov) BY ONE WICKET

(Uplyme 18pts, Cullompton 7)
UPLYME & Lyme Regis Cricket Club's hopes of beating the drop from the Tolchards Drinks Devon League Division C were given a huge boost with a nail-biting one wicket win over top-of-the-table Cullompton in the sunshine at the KGV Playing Fields on Saturday.

Home skipper James Whetlor won the toss and opted to field first and was soon amongst the wickets himself having Zimbabwean teenager Trevor Wesley Gwandu snapped up by Rhys Davies.

The score had reached 39 when Whetlor had Jason Parr safely pounced by keeper Jedd Whittington.

A collapse saw Cully slip to 57 for 5 but a 72-run stand between Brendon Parr, who top-scored with 39 and Todd Scrace (18*) lifted the score to 129 before the former was cleaned up by Tyler Wellman.

Off spinner all rounder Liam Gorfine (3-22) then chipped in with three cheap wickets and Whetlor (4-28) bagged his fourth as the visitors were rolled over for 148 in just 33 of the allotted 45 overs.

The chase began in alarming fashion for the hosts with Whittington, Gorfine and Mark Batey all dismissed in Jason Parr's opening over without a run on the board.

Steve Batey restored some order with a six-boundary 29 but when he was bowled by Gwandu and was soon followed by Wellman Uplyme were still deep in the mire at 55 for 6.

Charlie Moss and Harvey Brimicombe raised home hopes with a 50-run stand for the seventh wicket before the latter was castled by Brendon Parr.

But the tail continued to wag as Moss found another ally in Davies who eventually fell for 15 at 134 for 8.

Whetlor came in and smacked a couple of boundaries in a breezy four-ball innings but it was Sam Wooster (2*) who helped Man-of-the-match Moss (47*, 60 balls, 4x4) get Uplyme over the line in the 36th over.

Not such good news from the club's 2nd XI who failed to raise a team for the trip to Kentisbeare and are now 27 points adrift at the foot of the 2nd XI Division C (east) table having been docked 10 points.



■ **VITAL CONTRIBUTION:** Harvey Brimicombe shared in a crucial 50-run stand for the seventh wicket with Charlie Moss which helped Uplyme & Lyme Regis squeeze over the winning line.
Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

Devon Division C (E)

Cullompton 1st XI	
D.Paul+ c Whetlor b S.Batey	.....31
TW.Gwandu c Davies b Whetlor	.....0
J.Parr c Whittington b Whetlor	.....8
B.Parr b Wellman	.....39
J.Blackmore* lbw b S.Batey	.....0
A.Pullin lbw b Whetlor	.....0
T.Scrace not out	.....0
R.Stevenson st Whitt' on b Gorfine	.....0
L.Nessling lbw b Gorfine	.....0
J.Vincent c S.Batey b Gorfine	.....0
J.Richards c M.Batey b Whetlor	.....0
Extras: 42w, 1b, 6lb, 3nb	.....52
FoW: 14, 39, 55, 56, 57, 129, 136, 136, 140, 148.	
Total (33 overs)	148 all out
Uplyme & LR bowling: J.Whetlor 7.2-0-28-4, S.Wooster 7-0-38-0, S.Batey 6-0-30-2, R.Davies 2-0-11-0, L.Gorfine 6-2-22-3, T.Wellman 4-0-12-1.	

Uplyme & Lyme Regis 1st XI

J.Whittington+ c Richards b J.Parr	.....0
L.Thomas lbw b J.Parr	.....8
L.Gorfine c Richards b J.Parr	.....0
M.Batey lbw b J.Parr	.....0
S.Batey b Gwandu	.....29
T.Wellman c Pullin b J.Parr	.....10
C.Moss not out	.....47
H.Brimicombe b B.Parr	.....18
R.Davies lbw b Blackmore	.....15
J.Whetlor c Scrace b Blackmore	.....8
Extras: 11w, 1b, 2lb, 2nb	.....2
S.Wooster not out	.....15
FoW: 0, 0, 19, 50, 55, 105, 134, 142.	
Total (35.4overs)	152 for 9
Cullompton bowling: J.Parr 5-3-8-4.	

Division C (E)

Pld	Pts
Cullompton	168
Alphington	147
Feniton	143
Clyst Hydon	135
Whimble	133
Kilmington	122
Clyst St George	107
Countess Wear	100
UPLYME & LR	96
Braunton	79

2nd XI Division C (E)

Pld	Pts
Upton	168
Barnstaple & Pilton	153
Honiton	144
Whimble	134
Kentisbeare	129
Exeter	116
North Devon	98
Kilmington	93
Halberton & SP	79
UPLYME & LYME REGIS	52

Bridport Golf

Sun shines on Phil's Captain's weekend

LAST weekend was Phil Winton's 'Captain's Weekend' and the results were as follows

SATURDAY

Stableford; 1st Robert Smith 40 points, 2nd Ian Pincombe 36, 3rd Chris Wren 35.

4BBB; 1st Dave & Julie Woodroffe 45 points, 2nd (acb) Bryan Holmes & Bob Harding 43, 3rd Gary Edwards & Steve Crabb 43.

Nearest the Pin; 4th hole; Kevin Payne, 6th; Bryan Holmes, 10th; Carole Brown, 14th; Sue Walsh, 18th; Mike Thompson.

SUNDAY

Stableford - Division One; 1st (acb) Gary Edwards 39 points, 2nd Gavin Gay 39, 3rd William Bradbury 37.

Division Two; 1st Doug Miners 39 points, 2nd (acb) Nick Jones 37, 3rd Ian Thacker 37.

Division Three; 1st Kieran McAllister 43 points, 2nd Terry Cleal 39, 3rd Nathan Dunford 36.

Chorley Cup Winner; Kieran McAllister.

Nearest The Pin; 4th hole; Ed Cary, 6th; Ian Thacker, 10th; Martin Drenan, 14th; Howard Mills, 18th; Mike Vincent.

In the **Midweek Mixed Stableford**, the two leaders both scored 35 points with Mike Chivers (14)

nudging Dave Smith (10) into the runner-up spot on count-back. Peter May (27) was third with 34.

On a very hot Thursday morning 54 men turned out for the **veterans'** three-Man team Stableford competition.

The team that coped best with the heat and came in the winners was; Ray Southcombe (16), Dougie Howells (19) & Glyn Peach (28) with 82 points. Two points behind were; Dave Rendell (19), Andre Gawor (10) & Leonard Green (26) scoring 80. In third place were Peter Marshall (9), Brian Osborne (22) & Robin Fox (27) with 77.

An EG medal was played in the **Ladies** section last Tuesday the runaway winner in Division One was Ruth Donovan who had eight pars in her round *writes Di Neal*.

Division One; 1st Ruth Donovan 86-17=69, 2nd Toskito Ricketts 91-15=76, 3rd Marion Hurley 98-18=80.
Division Two; 1st Jane White 99-29=70, 2nd Liz Thompson 98-22=76, 3rd Viv Gill 105-28=77.

Division Three; 1st Pat Baldwin 111-30=81, 2nd; Wendy Newton 121-36=86.

A qualifying Stableford was also played last Tuesday, result; 1st Jenny Conway 25 points, 2nd Carole Hedley 24.

Charmouth complete treble



THE 2017 Kenway Cup final was played between Charmouth and Thorners (Bridport) primary schools last Thursday evening on the 3G pitch at Beaminster School.

Charmouth ended the match 1-0 winners and lifted the Kenway trophy, which has

been running since the 1950s, for the first time in 20 years.

Top scorer Mattie Loader got the decisive goal in the last minute of normal time after some excellent build up play started at the back from captain and man of the match Otis Travill.

The win completed an unprecedented treble of victories for Charmouth who have also won the Go Active Intra Schools League and the Colfox World Cup one-day tournament this season.

Charmouth's stats this year were; Played 18 played, won 18 scored 85 conceded 71

A view from the Boundary

WITH STUART BROOM

Adkins hoists PRT to dramatic victory

Dorset Saturday tables

Premier	Pld	Pts
Swanage	10	169
Broadstone	10	166
DORCHESTER	10	141
Poole Town	10	139
Sherborne	10	130
Wimborne & C Hill	10	125
Stalbridge	10	115
Shroton	10	88
MARTINSTOWN	10	88
Shillingstone	10	43

Division One

Pld	Pts
Bere Regis	10 192
Christchurch	10 151
CATTISTOCK	10 148
Cerne Valley	10 144
Hamworthy Rec	10 130
WEYMOUTH	10 124
Poole Town II	10 111
Parley	10 96
Wimborne & C II	10 77
Broadstone II	10 71

Division Two

Pld	Pts
PORTLAND RT	10 174
Compton House	10 163
Witchampton	10 154
Blandford	10 148
Marnhull	10 132
Ferndown Wayf	10 102
Cranborne	10 99
Stalbridge II	10 94
Sherborne II	10 61
Shillingstone II	10 57

Division Three

Pld	Pts
CHARLTON DOWN	10 196
DORCHESTER II	10 152
Sturminster Marsh	10 148
Ashmore	10 137
BEAMINSTER	10 122
Kingston Lacy	10 120
Dorset Indian Tigers	10 111
Hamworthy Rec II	10 102
Wimborne & C III	10 72
Poole Town III	10 43

Division Four

Pld	Pts
PUDDLETOWN	9 147
Shaftesbury	9 141
Corfe Mullen	9 140
Sturminster & Hintn	9 118
RS Sports	9 100
ABBOTSBURY	9 95
Chalke Valley	8 88
Wareham	8 81
Cerne Valley II	9 76

Division Five

Pld	Pts
Swanage II	8 145
PORTLAND RT II	8 126
Witchampton II	8 109
Broadstone III	8 109
Blandford II	8 105
MARTINSTOWN II	8 89
Marnhull II	8 86
Poole Town IV	8 45

Division Six

Pld	Pts
Bere Regis II	7 127
Bradford Abbas	8 125
SYMENE	8 115
Wimborne & Col IV	8 80
WEYMOUTH II	7 71
Bournemouth	8 70
Stalbridge III	8 35
Winton	8 26

Dorset Sunday tables

Division One	Pld	Pts
Sherborne	7	135
Dorlish	7	94
Corfe Mullen	6	89
Old Blandfordians	6	86
Pokesdown Willows	7	79
CHARLTON DOWN	7	35
PORTLAND RT	6	22

Division Two

Pld	Pts
WEYMOUTH	8 128
Broadstone	8 123
Hamworthy	8 107
Milborne Port	7 103
Witchampton	8 90
Dorset Indians	7 77
Cheselbourne	6 39
Lytchett	8 31

DAVE Adkins was the star of Portland Red Triangle 2nds' victory over Martinstown 2nds at The Reforme, smashing a six off the last ball.

Adkins batting performance was matched by an equally brilliant bowling display from Red Triangle's first team bowler Simon Proffitt who took seven Cranborne wickets as PRT squeezed home in a low scoring victory.

Elsewhere, Martinstown upset the formbook by gaining revenge on Dorchester for their opening day defeat.

Dorset Funeral Plan League

Premier League
MARTINSTOWN (19) 213 BEAT DORCHESTER DORCHESTER (8) 160 BY 53 RUNS
AS Sam Kershaw trudged wearily back to the pavilion in the searing heat at Lower Ashton Farm it appeared as if Martinstown might be heading for possible defeat against neighbours Dorchester.

Kershaw had taken the game to the county town, hitting 11 fours in his 55 before he was trapped lbw by George Foot having scored half his side's total of 102-6.

However, John Stewart (26), and particularly Ryan Chase (36), produced a hard-hitting riposte as they set about the visitors bowling; Chase's huge flashing top edge that flew for six behind the wicket a good example.

With Matt Camp (27) also in good form the tail wagged as they finally were bowled out for 213 with four balls left.

Early on the Dorchester bowlers, particularly Dan Belt 0-9 from seven overs; Josh Richardson (4-48) and Jack Walklett (3-20) had control.

Chris Read (3-16) put the visitors on the back foot from the start in reply claiming openers Belt (8) and Nick Roe (4), and despite resistance from captain Simon Mitchem (34) when he claimed Will McKay for a duck they were 52-3.

Kershaw (3-43) then had success with the ball removing mainstay Mitchem, and although five other batsmen got into double figures, Chase (3-48) helped gain revenge for their opening day defeat as Dorchester were dismissed for 160, 53 runs short of their target.

County Division One

BROADSTONE 2ND (8) 159 ALL OUT LOST TO CATTISTOCK (20) 214 ALL OUT BY 55 RUNS

STEVE Tucker sound 68 was the basis for this victory over bottom side Broadstone 2nds. Struggling at 22-2, having lost Jon Legg (2) and Brad Johns (5), Tucker joined newly promoted opener Billy Walbridge (38) and they started to rebuild the innings. With Joe Baggs (26) and a number of others chipping in, the visitors reached 214 in the allocated overs.

Opener Greg Parsons

proved the stumbling block for Cattistock, as Broadstone reached 93-2 in reply.

His unbeaten 80 constructed almost entirely of boundaries (18x4), and partnership with Simon Leadbetter (26) looked ominous.

But Legg (4-27) struck with three wickets in an over. With Brad Damen (3-43) and Ollie Lee (2-28) sharing the load the dismissed their hosts for 159 and a 55 run victory.

WEYMOUTH (3) 105 ALL OUT LOST TO CERNE VALLEY (19) 108-5 BY 5 WICKETS
CAPTAIN Simon Browne had no excuses for his sides five wicket defeat. "We were beaten by the better side, and sometimes you have to hold your hand up and admit they were too good for us on the day."

Despite once again failing to set a reasonable target, the top of the order were not guilty of giving their wickets away.

Opening bowlers Mark Whitmarsh (2-22) and Pearce Mercer (2-23) soon had Weymouth in trouble at 34-3.

They did rally thanks to an unbeaten 32 from Dom Webb, but could only muster 105 all out as Mike Collinge weighed in with 3-13 from nine overs.

In reply, all the visiting top four made starts despite a fine bowling performance from John Ryan who picked up 4-34, and they won with five wickets to spare.

Browne said: "I was really impressed by their opening bowling pair, there as good as we have met this season and we couldn't deal with it, and Tony Quayle, Dean Janaway and myself were all out to really decent balls. If we had made 150 we might have made a game of it. We got them five down and there wasn't a huge amount of batting left."

One positive was the form of 17-year-old Webb. Browne said: "Dom batted really well; he hasn't been available regularly, but showed a lot of promise and he can bowl a bit as well."

County Division Two

CRANBORNE (3) 98 LOST TO PORTLAND RED TRIANGLE (18) 100-7 BY 3 WICKETS
UNFORTUNATELY it is impossible to give Simon Proffitt full recognition for the seven wickets he took in this PRT victory as neither have the hosts displayed the scorecard on the website, nor has PRT skipper Gary Randall access to the club's hand written version.

Having elected to bat, Cranborne were soon in trouble as Proffitt knocked over the top five home batsmen, including a hat trick, with just 30 on the board in six overs.

Despite resistance from one player who scored freely, when Jon Cameron produced the ultimate seamers delivery that clipped the top of his off-stump, the rest capitulated.

Proffitt added two more victims and Matt Barrett finished them off taking the

last two wickets in his first over.

The casual approach taken with such a low total to chase almost backfired, and it needed the experience of Gary Randall and Callum Laws (30) to steady the ship.

Even so, at 70-7 PRT were in danger losing what should have been an easy victory before Rich Samuels' (20*) helped Barrett (30*) to get them over the line.

County Division Three
BEAMINSTER (20) 233 ALL OUT POOLE TOWN 3RD (5) 62 ALL OUT BY 171 RUNS
BEAMINSTER proved too strong for Poole Town 3rds as they won by 171 runs at the Memorial Ground.

After posting a competi-

a heavy defeat.

DORCHESTER 2ND (4) 175 LOST TO CHARLTON DOWN (20) 176-0 BY 10 WICKETS
CHARLTON Down completed the double over neighbours Dorchester 2nds with an emphatic 10-wicket victory at The Rec.

Dorchester's innings started slowly against the accurate bowling of Matt and Dan Stevens, the former bowling Josh Foot (5) before removing Dorchester's in-form captain Mike Peak. Dan Stevens then bowled the dangerous Peter Diffey to leave the county town 34-3.

A useful partnership of 44 between Simon Joslin (13) and Stuart Beasley was ended with the change of bowling that saw Joslin and

176 lasting over two and half hours saw Charlton down to victory with 10 overs remaining.

Miller and Eveleigh's trademark running between the wickets, kept the scoreboard moving.

Eveleigh's straight and cover driving was pleasing to the eye as he caressed the ball to the boundary including 12 fours. Miller was more careful but did include the only six of the match and included six fours.

Captain Tommy Tucker said: "I am extremely pleased with the result and to complete our first double of the season."

"It was good to see Dorchester's 15-year-old Nathan Quinn given a chance to bowl, he looks a promising youngster."

County Division Four

ABBOTSBURY (4) 155-9 LOST TO PUDDLETOWN (19) 156-0 BY 10 WICKETS

A FINE unbroken first wicket partnership between Albie Stevens and Lucas Allen won this match against a depleted Abbotsbury side, a result which sees Puddletown back on top spot following Wareham's surprise win at former league leaders Shaftesbury.

The hosts won the toss and elected to bat, but tight accurate bowling by Adam Weir (2-24) and David Morris (3-11 from eight) restricted Abbotsbury to a score of 58-4 at the halfway mark of their innings.

However, Nick Kneebone (32) led some stout resistance, aided by Ashley Harrow (16), but after Kneebone's departure, the Swans were unable to build any big partnerships and the unrelenting Puddletown attack had reduced the Swans to 91-7 by the 30th over.

However, the Abbotsbury tail wagged, with 37 runs contributed from the unlikely source of Jay Lintern, who hit five boundaries including one mighty six in an entertaining knock. Grafton Straker (12) also reached double figures as the Swans completed their innings on 155-9.

With a modest total to protect, Abbotsbury needed to make inroads into the opposition batting but early chances were squandered as the visitors' opening pairing of Albie Stevens (77*) and Lucas Allen (59*) made a steady start to their reply against challenging bowling by Grafton Straker and Simon Pengelly.

But Stevens was dropped at cover and, with some uncertain calling between the Puddletown batsmen, several run out opportunities were not taken.

The Puddletown batsmen were content with ticking the scoring over at the required rate and they reached the target with nearly seven overs to spare.

County Division Five

PORTLAND RED TRIANGLE 2ND (18) 184-6 BEAT MARTINSTOWN 2ND (8) 183-7 BY 4 WICKETS

DAVE Adkins smashed a dramatic last ball six to give PRT victory over Martinstown.

Needing 16 off the final over, and six from the last ball, Adkins who finished unbeaten on 93 lifted the ball back over the bowlers head and the boundary.

Martinstown got off to a good start when they batted with openers James Reynolds (39) and Will Maltby (51) adding 57 for the first wicket before home skipper George Linley-Munro snapped up the former in Tony Morris' first over.

However, at 126-3 they looked set for a reasonable total, before PRT's captain completed the 'Holy Trinity' (a catch with each left, right and both hands) to dismiss Maltby, and their innings finally closed on 183-7.

Natan Cornish (3-27) was the pick of PRT's bowling with Morris (2-36) and Linley-Munro (2-44) also taking wickets.

With openers Ryan Price (12) and Tim Forshaw (12) both back in the hutch with 30 on the board, things did not look so good in PRT's reply, but Adkins dug in, and with good support from his partners who despite not scoring many were able to hang around and rotate the strike sensibly, they edged closer.

It was fitting that Adkins should hit the winning runs to keep his side in the running for promotion.

Steve Bishop (2-26) was the pick of the Martinstown attack.

County Division Six

WINTON (-20) LOST TO SYMENE (20)

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Division One

COMPTON DUNDON (19) 175-5 BEAT BROADWINDSOR (6) 172-8 BY 5 WICKETS
BROADWINDSOR suffered another narrow defeat in which Compton opener Ben Chislett's unbeaten 87 proved to be the difference between the sides.

Electing to bat, George Wyrill (22) and Jack Walklett (20) who both ran themselves out, Adam Herring (29), Adrian Waddington (27), were the main contributors for Broadwindsor.

Peter Lindsey (25) and Chislett gave the hosts a solid start, and whilst he was dropped once off a sharp chance, Chislett won them the game with five overs to spare.

Adi Phillips said: "Had we got Chislett earlier it might well have been closer."

Top batting: Dave Adkins (Portland Red Triangle 2nds) 93*; Cameron Lucas (Beaminster) 85; Jack Eveleigh (Charlton Down) 77*; Albie Stevens (Puddletown) 77*; Jae Miller (Charlton Down) 71no; Steve Tucker (Cattistock) 68;

Top bowling: Simon Proffitt (PRT) 7-??; William Moss (Beaminster) 4-18; Jon Legg (Cattistock) 4-27; Josh Richardson (Dorchester) 4-48.



◆ **SEAM UP:** Adam Weir took 2 for 24 in Puddletown's 10-wicket thrashing of Abbotsbury. Photo by STUART BROOM

tive 233 in their innings, the Beaminster bowlers ran through the visitors batting line up in just 22.2 overs.

The highlight of Beaminster's innings was an explosive 85 runs from Cameron Lucas who smashed 14 boundaries to all parts.

Nearly everyone made a contribution, but particularly Nick Hollely with 31 and Justin Gurd (26) in the middle order.

After scoring 26 in the first five overs, the Poole innings subsided in dramatic fashion with only Rob Hellawell (22) contributing.

William Moss was the pick of the bowlers as he recorded his best figures of 4-18 from seven overs, whilst Francis Medley conceded just three runs from his seven overs and took two wickets.

Nick Hollely (2-16) and Dave Percy (2-0 from two balls) were the other wicket takers as Poole collapsed to

Matt Porter both caught off the bowling of James Pretty (2-24).

Beasley's innings of 68 (12x4) came to an abrupt end when he just missed a straight one from Tommy Tucker. Sam Roles then removed his pads to claim Eiron Fitzgerald and Habib Wardak as Dorchester collapsed to 129-8.

However, the talented Ollie Osborne (40), showed his more senior players how to bat with a mixture of a perfect defence to lovely straight driving and improvised shots that was pleasing to the eye and ably supported by Ben Alford who ably held up his end with solid defence, the partnership added 40 valuable runs to ensure a competitive score of 175 was set.

The Charlton Down reply was very impressive from openers Jae Miller (71*) and Jack Eveleigh (77*). A chanceless partnership of

Bowls round-up

Hatters still top despite grounding by Grumblers

THE Grumblers were the toast of the **Bridport & West Dorset Club's Morning League** as they ended the Hatters' 100 per cent winning start. Peter Varney, Kay Cox and Martin Wilton finished 3, 2 to earn a 12-8 win.

However, Hatters still maintain their four point lead after Brian Legg, sub Ann Turtell & Sheila Nicoll beat Supanovas 17-6.

Brian Suffling and Mike Long's Old Timers destroyed the Wickers 21-1 to go third; their four woods again good enough against their opponents three; whilst Chris Thorne, Margaret Fiefield & Paul Hallett's 4 Menandalady beat Mannequins 16-10.

Mike Loud, Val & Reg Dodd's Hillbillies drew 14-14 with Bernard Perry, Keven Rendell & Anne Parkins' Scuttlebutts.

Kevin Moys, Phil Hedges & Long's Pirates, are the new leaders of the **Evening League** after a 17-11 win over Butlins following Totties' 15-10 defeat by Gerry Moss, Turtell & Ivor Parker's Chancers

Meanwhile, Lyn Sandall, Phil Tattershall & Eric White's Potters annihilated Lillywhites 20-3, and Thorne, Legg & Peter Hunt's Renegades defeated Wyverns 15-9.

Alan Wotherspoon, Martin Grier & Hugh Rees' Gazelles won 15-8 against Jackpots, and Barry Mapson, Reg Dodd & Geoff Hanson's Dingos were too good for Was-ups, winning 14-11.

Bridport Navy picked up another four points in the County Mixed League beating Moon-

light thanks to a 27-14 win by Moss, Hunt & Sue Walsh's trio.

Sparse yield for Lyme bowlers

THERE was another very poor week for the league teams.

The ladies were whitewashed at Bridport; the championship side managed one point against Blandford and Lyme 2 went one shot better against Wellworthy B. The best result was Lyme against Bridport B in the South Dorset League where the home team secured six points.

The quartet of Barry & Angela Rattenbury and Paul & Judith Moffitt, won the 23-team mixed fours tournament at Sidmouth with plus 35 followed by Castle Cary on 33.

Results: West Dorset Men Div Two - Lyme 46 Wellworthy B 52; S Dowling, A Henson, A Nabarro, R Legg 20-12; B Driscoll, N Solomon, J Beadsley, C Barber 16-17; M Knight, P Stephens, B Parsons, D Meylan 10-23.

Friendlies - Lyme 108 Axminster 36; P Oakley, P Stephens, J Kesterton, B Parsons 22-12; D Mayo, M Heneghan, A Rattenbury, A Weech 24-14; A Darvill, J Owen, N Solomon, P Weech 34-3; B Smith, J Parsons, A Nabarro, B Rattenbury 28-7.

Lyme 76 Honiton 108; J Moon, J Owen, D Courtenay-Smith, A Preece 21-20; P Oakley, D Sarson, P Knight, A Allman 9-20; J Barnish, M Knight, R Turpin, A Nabarro 14-25; D Read, J Barnish, B Smith, Chris Barber 14-23; P Ward,

V Henson, B Driscoll, T Allman 18-18.

Lyme 66 Somerton 66; A Darvill, N Solomon, N Benson, A Preece 11-21; D Read, V Henson, R Legg, P Weech 17-15; D Mayo, D Sarson, A Henson, A Weech 18-18; C Elmore, D Courtenay-Smith, A Nabarro, C Barber 20-12.

Ladies keep pressure on leaders

BRIDPORT Ladies kept the pressure on leaders GILLINGHAM with a convincing 80-35 win over Lyme Regis in the DCL Division One to secure eight points; Pamela Daters, Mary Eastman, Laura Taylor & Pat Cornick 24-12; Liz Craddock, Marion Carter, Rosemary Brooks & Melodie Watts 32-8; Frances Hewett, Gill Hunt, Alison Tibble & Margaret Clapp 24-14.

In Division Two bottom side Bridport B were beaten 84-45 by POOLE PARK. But they secured two points thanks to a 27-16 win by Liz Kennedy, Jan Tattershall, Jill Wilcox & Barbara Iverson. Di S Butcher, Margaret Strange, Marion Tocher & Delphine Street 7-38; Jean Seadon, Sheila Jones, Pauline Newitt & Christine Cowdrey 11-28.

In the Men's SDL Division One Bridport A were held to a 60-60 draw by DORCHESTER A. Brian Iverson, Mike Smith, Bob Taylor & Brian Rumble 20-18; Craig Boshier, Tom Tocher, Bill Payne & Chris Thorne 22-23; Dave Roberts, John Carter, Barry Shortland & Brian Conisbee 18-19.

Although Bridport B claimed four points in

the SDL Division Two match at the Charlie Mercer Green, where LYME REGIS 2 won 66-52. Dan Hoskins, Brian Stone, Geoff Strange & Clive Langdon 23-20; Sam Dunn, Norman Ludders, Roger Herbert & Dave Robbins 18-13; John Ireland, Peter Billelt, Mike Stephenson & Bob Seadon 11-33.

Bridport narrowly lost 50-54 but gained three points against GREENHILL in the Men's DCL Championship Division; Ben Jones, M. Smith, Taylor & Rumble 18-15; Roberts, Payne, Shortland, Conisbee 16-16; Boshier, Tocher, Keith Brooks & Thorne 16-23.

Bridport A fought out an exciting 50-50 draw and banked four points at WEYMOUTH/MELCOMBE REGIS in DCL West One; Chris Taylor, Peter Carnell, Fred Pomeroy & Dave Smith 17-16; Chris Hall, Mike Craddock, Paul Tibble & Mike Solomon 15-15; Roy Lidington, Phillip Wilson, Peter Scott & Ken Sanger 18-19.

Bridport B lost 49-65 to PORTLAND BO in DCL West Two gaining two points. Hoskins, Ireland, Stephenson & Langdon 22-16; Herbert B, Pratt, Strange & Seadon 19-20; Dunn, Roger Smith, Eric Link & Robbins 8-29.

The friendly at TIVERTON was lost 112-107, top rink: Jean Seadon, Pauline Newitt, Mike Smith & Bill Payne 26-12.

The three-triple friendly at CHARMOUTH saw the home side winning on all rinks, maybe the last game to be played there as they are very short of members.

Skittles

AGM Details

BRIDPORT Skittles League AGM is tonight (Wednesday) at 8pm at Lord Nelson.

Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
Who's Darts	5	25
The Social Clubbers	5	19
Dat Anchor	5	9
Four Carat Gold	5	10
The Rogers	5	10
Beer on us	5	5

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Ward Up	3	12
Midnight Runners	3	9
Emma's Four	3	8
Emma's Heroes	3	7
Odd Bods	3	6

Lyme Regis Golf

Ace for Wakeling

THE **Coronation Cup** was fiercely contested with Division One going to Colin Beauchamp, 67 nett, closely followed by Mark Lewis, 68 and well deserved return to the podium for Roger Seed, 69.

Beauchamp' gritty 67, the best score of the day was down to playing 18 holes of solid, steady golf.

Division Two was even tighter as the top three all finished on 72 but superior back 9s ensured that Alasdair Maclean won from Mark Thirlwell in second and Patrick Duke third.

The Seniors' July Stableford saw John Burden set the field alight to win Division One with the best score of the day - 43 points based on two good birdies on the back nine after a good 21 points going out.

Stuart Briggs was second with 38 points, and Ray Shinnors 3rd on 36.

Division Two was much tighter as Denis McCallum took top spot on countback, after some varied scoring, from Steve Percival, both 38 points, with Gareth Vaughan, 37 in third.

There was joy for Tony Wakeling as he scored a hole-in-one on the eighth.

In the **Midweek Stableford** a birdie on the stroke index 1 seventh hole helped Charles Vane Percy to a winning score of 41 points with Alan Hill, in 2nd on countback from Brian Rees, both with 38 points.

The **Junior Order of Merit** saw two exceptional scores of nett 66 as Casey Gibbons found himself in top spot again as he just beat Mannie Wellman on countback with Bradley Searle in third spot on 71.

Although the ladies had no competition they hosted a very successful open day.



◆ **TOP MEN:** (from left) Brian Tither (Clubman), Tim Hussey (Manager's player & top scorer), Rich Legg (Players' Player & Young Player)

PYMORE FC recently held their annual presentation night at the Crown Inn. After a season of uncertainty, the team proved everyone wrong by gaining promotion to

the Perry Street & District League Premier Division for the first time, and also reached the Arthur Gage Cup Final.

Striker Timmy Hussey was rewarded



◆ **FIRST TIME:** Players show off their Division One runner-up medals

with the Manager's Player and Top Scorer awards, whilst midfielder Rich Legg claimed the Players' Player trophy as well as the Young Player. Manager Brian

Tither's hard work throughout the season, including running the line every week, was recognised when he was named Clubman of the Year.

Crosby Cup Cricket

Twisters and Vets qualify

WITH the final round robin games of this year's Crosby Cup to be completed this week, Twisters and Chideock Vets have already booked their places in the semi-final of the Cup knock-out stages.

Twisters have qualified from Group A with the winners of Squanderers and Mapperton claiming the second spot.

In Group B Chideock Vets will qualify regardless of the result of their last game, and will be joined by ei-

ther Full Tossers or White Lion.

The team's that finish third and fourth from each group will take part in the Plate knockout.

Results: Group A: Twisters (53-2) beat Oddfellows (52 all out) by 7 wickets; Mapperton (77 all out) beat Twisters (54 all out) by 23 runs; Mapperton (34-8) beat Bridport Tyres (33 all out) by 2 wickets.

Group B: Full Tossers (176-9) beat Soakers (136 all out) by 40 runs.

Group A	Pld	Pts
Twisters	4	6
Squanderers	3	4
Mapperton	3	4
Oddfellows	3	4
Bridport Tyres	4	0

Group B	Pld	Pts
Chideock Vets	3	6
Soakers	4	4
Full Tossers	2	2
White Lion	2	2
Tiger	3	0

Rowing medals for Colfox

ONCE again The Sir John Colfox Academy showed their prowess in the County Indoor Rowing Championships held at Bryanston School recently.

The Year 7 Girls; Evie Norton, Jess Barbe-Baker, Katie Evans and Ellie Donoghue; finished runners-up with Barbe-Baker not only crowned county champion, but also achieving national standard, and breaking the school record.

The Year 7 Boys; Dennis Prowse, Sam Devescery, Harry Courtice and Toby Mann finished fourth, but individually Prowse achieved bronze and broke the school record, just missing sharing silver by a point.

Individual results - Year 7 Girls: 1st: Jess St Barbe-Baker, Sir John Colfox Acad 513; 2nd: Amalie Johnson, Lytchett Minster 505; 3rd: Zosia Kasprysiak, Lytchett Minster 488

Y7 Boys: 1st: Jaden Head, Harewood College 555; 2nd: Raul-Cristian Mladin, Harewood College 538; 3rd: Dennis Prowse, Sir John Colfox Acad 537.



◆ **CLOSE:** The Year 7 girls team that finished second with county champion Jess Barbe-Baker (far right).

Chambers lead the way

THE latest West Bay Sea Angling Saturday Juniors competitions were dominated by the Chambers brothers, Ewan and Aaron, with the unlucky Eden Lynham the bridesmaid on both occasions.

Saturday June 17th Juniors, East Pier West Bay: Six juniors turned out to fish on this very hot Saturday. It was a tight fight for first until a legal ballan wrasse made an appearance which resulted in victory for Ewan Chambers. Congratulations go to new member Martyn Robinson (pictured, right) on his first fish; a flounder of 58g.

Result: 1st Ewan Chambers 285g legal weight (564g overall); 2nd Eden Lynham 465g; 3rd Robbie Hall 193g.

Saturday, July 1st Juniors, East Pier West Bay: Five members and one guest signed on to fish on a sunny but breezy day. Species caught were; weever, wrasse, shanny, blenny, flounder and plaice.

1st Aaron Chambers 299g legal weight (543g overall); 2nd Eden Lynham 199g legal weight (452g overall); 3rd Ewan Chambers 325g. Smallest fish: Ewan Chambers 14g shanny; Biggest fish: Eden Lynham 199g tub gurnard.

The next match is the Frank & Peggy Daw Memorial Trophy on July 15th when the Daw family will be putting up extra prizes. This year's winner will receive a new beach rod and reel.



◆ **FIRST CATCH:** Martin Robinson



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INSIDE: Golfers enjoy captain's weekend

Fricker happy with status quo ahead of action

BRIDPORT manager Adam Fricker was not perturbed by the lack of transfer action to date as his side faced their first pre-season game at home to Wincanton last night (Tuesday).

Whilst there were a couple of new faces on show, at this stage there is no news on fresh faces at St Mary's Field so far.

Fricker has been delighted with the turnout at training and the fitness of the players.

He said: "We're quite comfortable with how things are at the moment."

Fricker had the thankless task of rebuilding the squad after joining the Bees last summer following the exodus of a number of players,

bringing in several from his old club Chard Town, none of whom had played at Toolstation Western League Premier Division level before, to fill the void.

The task was exacerbated by injuries to key players at the start of the season, particularly captain Ryan Hayter

and later striker Mark Salter, and he and his assistant Paddy Behan did well to ensure their league status.

Following that tough initiation, the Bees' boss believes his side are well set for the upcoming campaign, particularly as they have no long term injuries outstanding.

"I believe we are going to benefit massively from the experience of last season when a lot of the lads were finding their feet at,

Stuart Broom

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but have all benefitted greatly.

Hayter will once again captain the side. His commanding presence was sorely missed at the beginning of last term and, having picked up a niggling thigh injury that he nursed through the latter weeks of the season, he has reported fit and well to lead the side.

Fricker has named Louis Rutter as his vice-captain, a decision he thinks will bring out the best in the midfielder.

"I think the extra responsibility will do him the world of good. It will be like having

a new player for us because he didn't have a pre-season last year because of his cruciate injury. He looks very strong in training."

Flying winger Ed Butcher has reported back fit following an ankle injury towards the end of last term.

"We didn't see the best of him last year, but he's got a lot of potential."

Finding the net

Goalscoring was the major problem last season - despite Salter scoring 24 goals in 39 games - and is an area Fricker was looking to improve, and so he is pleased that Richard Hebditch, an experienced forward who played a few games for Bridport last season scoring some

vital goals, has joined on a permanent basis.

A regular goalscorer for Beaminster, Chard Town and South Petherton he will add to Fricker's firepower up front alongside Salter and Tom Richardson who returned to the Bees this summer.

"He's a finisher, and with him, Salts and Tom, you've certainly got goals there, which is the key for us."

"I do expect one or two more to come in before the start of the season, but we don't want to bring in players for the sake of it, it has to be right for the club."

"We are certainly in a better place than we were this time last year."



◆ **NEW BEE:** Rich Hebditch has swapped the blue of Beaminster for the red of Bridport

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